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## Appendix C. Statistical Methodology

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### THE SCREENING PHASE AND THE MAIL LIST MODEL

The 1997 Census of Agriculture featured a pre-census screening phase that surveyed selected records, by mail or telephone, for presence or absence of agricultural activity. Records selected for screening had a low probability of qualifying as farms. All records responding to the screener and reporting no agricultural activity were removed from the census mail list. Eliminating nonfarm records from the mail list reduced respondent burden and data collection costs.

The screening phase included nearly 500,000 records. Records were selected for screening using one of the following criteria:

- 1) Records on selected agriculture specialty lists that had no other list source,
- 2) Records identified by a mail list model as having a low probability of being a farm.

A mail list model predicted the probability that an addressee on the 1997 preliminary census mail list operated a farm. The model defined groups based on combinations of characteristics such as source(s) of the mail list record, expected value of agricultural production, and geographic location. Farm proportions were estimated for these groups by calculating the proportion of 1992 census respondent records that were farms which exhibited the characteristics defined by the group. This proportion, also called the in-scope rate, provided an estimate of the probability that an addressee in the group operated a farm.

Each address record on the 1997 preliminary census mail list was assigned to a model group by matching record characteristics to model group characteristics. Records belonging to the groups with the highest farm probability were those more likely to be farms. Records with a farm probability of approximately 30 percent or less were selected for screening, along with records included on selected agriculture specialty lists as noted above.

Before screening, the preliminary census mail list consisted of 3,314,790 records. There were 478,298 records selected for screening. Of these, 125,570 records were determined to be nonfarms as a result of the screening phase and were removed. These records were removed from the final census mail list. The remaining 3,189,220 records received census report forms.

### CENSUS SAMPLE DESIGN

All name and address records on the final census mail list were designated to receive a 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. Two different types of census report forms, sample and nonsample, were used to collect data. Sections 1 through 20 and 28 through 32 of the sample form were identical to sections on the nonsample census form. Sample form sections 21 through 27 contained additional questions on usage of fertilizers and chemicals, farm production expenditures, value of machinery and equipment, value of land and buildings, farm-related income, and hired workers. There were 11 regional versions of the nonsample form and 13 regional versions of the sample form with listings of crops varying by region. These different forms were used to reduce the response burden of the census, while providing reliable information on a large number of data items.

The sample form was mailed to all mail list records in Alaska, Hawaii, and Rhode Island and to a sample of records in other States selected from the final mail list. Mail list records were selected into the sample with certainty if they (1) were expected to have large total value of agricultural products sold or large acreage, (2) were multi-unit operations (i.e., separate farms producing under one company organization), (3) were in a county with less than 100 farms in 1992, or (4) had other special characteristics. Farms with special characteristics were abnormal farms, such as institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian reservations. Mail list records in counties containing 100 to 199 farms in 1992 were systematically sampled at a rate of 1 in 2; records in counties containing 200 to 299 farms in 1992 were systematically sampled at a rate of 1 in 4; and records in counties containing 300 or more farms in 1992 were systematically sampled at a rate of 1 in 6. The remaining mail list records not chosen to receive the sample form received the nonsample census form. This differential sampling scheme was used to provide reliable data for the sample sections of the report form for all counties.

### EDITING DATA AND IMPUTATION FOR ITEM NONRESPONSE

The census of agriculture complex edit and imputation system is an automated computerized system that performed the following functions:

- Ensured reasonable relationships between/among data items, values for various sizes of farms, combinations of commodities, and economic interactions.
- Ensured necessary consistencies were present (there were more than 70 distinct consistency requirements).
- Ensured climatic, geographic, legal, and physical constraints were met.

The system performed these and similar functions for more than 900 data key codes for sample records and approximately 850 data key codes for nonsample records.

For the 1997 Census of Agriculture, as in previous censuses, all reported data were keyed and then edited by computer. The edits were used to determine whether the reports met the minimum criteria to be counted as farms in the census. The complex edit and imputation system provided the basis for deciding to accept, impute (supply), delete, or alter the reported value for each data record item.

Whenever possible, edit imputations, deletions, and changes were based on component or related data on the respondent's report form. For some items, such as operator characteristics, data for that record from the previous census were used when available. Values for other missing or unacceptable reported data items were calculated based on reported quantities and known fixed price parameters.

When these and similar methods were not available and values had to be supplied, the imputation process used information reported for another farm operation in a geographically adjacent area with characteristics similar to those of the farm operation with incomplete data. For example, a farm operation that reported acres of corn harvested, but did not report quantity of corn harvested, was assigned the same bushels of corn per acre harvested as that of the last nearby farm with similar characteristics that reported acceptable yields during that particular execution of the computer edit. The imputation for missing items in each section of the report form was conducted separately; thus, assigned values for one operation could come from more than one respondent.

Prior to the imputation operation, a set of default values and relationships was assigned to the possible imputation variables. The relationships and values varied depending on the item being imputed. For example, different default values were assigned for several Standard Industrial Classifications and total value of sales categories when imputing hired farm labor expenses. These values and item relationships for the possible imputation variables were stored in the computer in a series of matrices.

Each execution of the computer edit consisted of records from only one State sorted by reported State and county. For a given execution of the edit, the stored entries in the various matrices were retained in memory only until a succeeding record having acceptable characteristics for the same sections of the report form was processed by the

computer. Then the acceptable responses of the succeeding operation replaced those previously stored. When a record processed through the edit had unreported or unacceptable data, the record was assigned the last acceptable ratio or response from an operation with a similar set of characteristics. Once each execution of the computer edit for a State was completed, the possible imputation variables were reset to the default values and relationships for subsequent executions. An edit run usually consisted of 10,000 or more records.

After the initial computer edit, all keyed reports not meeting the census farm definition were reviewed to ensure that the data had been keyed correctly. Edit referrals were generated for 17 percent of the reports included as farms; they were reviewed for keying accuracy and to ensure that the computer edit actions were correct. If the results of the computer edit were not acceptable, corrections were made and the record re-edited.

## CENSUS ESTIMATION

The 1997 Census of Agriculture used two types of statistical estimation procedures to account for whole farm nonresponse and sample data collection. The procedures were necessary because some farm operators did not respond to the census despite numerous attempts to contact them, and estimates for certain data items were based on a sample of farm operators rather than a full enumeration.

### Whole Farm Nonresponse Estimation

Whole farm nonresponse to the census occurred when a response was never received for a record. If the record was a large farm, as defined by value of production or acreage, or a unique farm operation, intensive telephone or personal followup was conducted during census processing to obtain a response. If these attempts failed, either the NASS survey database, the census historic database, or other more current sources were used to impute data for the record.

During mail list development, the State Statistical Offices (SSOs), in an effort to reduce respondent burden, identified records that participated in multiple NASS surveys and/or situations where there were special reporting relationships between an enumerator and a respondent. These records were referred to as tagged records. The SSOs had full responsibility for the data collection for these records, including imputation of data for the record if a response was not obtainable.

Whole farm nonresponse that occurred within the remaining universe of records was accounted for by a statistical weighting procedure. The weights of the responding farms were adjusted to account for farms that did not respond. The information needed for this process was obtained from the 1997 Nonresponse Survey. The SSOs conducted the nonresponse survey using computer-assisted telephone interviewing (Blaise-CATI) or personal enumeration when telephone contact was not possible. Alaska and Rhode

Island were not eligible for the survey because all nonrespondents were subject to extensive followup. In these cases, data were collected by telephone or other methods. The nonresponse survey collected information from a sample of census nonrespondents to determine farm status and estimate the proportion of farms in the nonresponse universe. The information was then used to estimate the number of nonresponding farm operations by State and county.

The 1997 Nonresponse Survey consisted of a stratified systematic sample of the nonresponse records within each State. The sample was selected near the end of the census follow-up operations. Five strata were defined to be homogeneous on probability of farm status and were based on screener status, total value produced, and list source(s) of the mail list record.

Based on survey results, estimates of the proportion of census nonrespondents operating farms were made for each stratum in the State. The estimates were applied to the total number of census nonrespondents in that stratum, providing a State estimate of the number of census nonrespondents that operated farms. The number of census nonrespondents that operated farms was then derived for each county by stratum. This estimation procedure assumed that the distribution of farms in a stratum by county was the same for census nonrespondents as for census respondents.

Within each stratum in a county, a noninteger nonresponse weight was calculated and assigned to each eligible respondent farm record. Census respondent farms that were designated as large farms or tagged records or as farms that exhibited "rare" commodities were ineligible to represent nonrespondent farms and were excluded from the nonresponse weighting procedure. These records were assigned nonresponse weights of 1.0.

The noninteger nonresponse weight is the ratio of the sum of the estimated number of nonrespondent farms from the nonresponse survey and the number of eligible census respondent farms, divided by the number of eligible census respondent farms. Stratum controls were established to ensure that this weight never exceeded 2.0. For the published tabulations of the complete count items, the noninteger nonresponse weight was randomly rounded to an integer weight of either 1 or 2 for each record. For the sample count items, the noninteger nonresponse weight was used in the calculation of the final sample weight.

Table A quantifies the effect of the nonresponse estimation procedure on selected census data items. The percentages in this table are percents of the census values contributed by nonresponse estimation. These indicate the potential for bias in published figures resulting from nonresponse to the census. The estimates provided in this table do not reflect the effect of item nonresponse to individual census data items. The effect of this item nonresponse is discussed in the "Census Nonsampling Error" section.

## Sample Estimation

Sample data estimation determined the population totals that would have resulted from a complete census for the items in sections 21 through 27 of the sample form. The estimates were obtained from a weighting procedure that assigned a weight to each respondent record containing sample items. For any given county, a sample item total was estimated by multiplying the data items for each farm in the county by the corresponding sample weight and summing over all sample records.

Each respondent sample farm was assigned a sample weight for use in producing estimates for all sample items. For example, if the weight given to a sample farm had the value 6, all sample data items reported by that farm were multiplied by 6.

The noninteger sample weight is calculated for each respondent sample farm by multiplying the noninteger nonrespondent weight by the sampling factor. For published tabulations of the sample count items, the noninteger sample weight was randomly rounded to an integer weight for each record. For certainty farms, the sampling factor equals 1 so the sample weight is just equal to the nonresponse weight. Sampling factor calculation for non-certainty farms is described below.

Within a county, the weighting procedure for non-certainty farms was performed in three steps using three variables. The first variable contained eight 1997 total value of agricultural production (TVP) groups. The second and third variables, Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code and farm acreage, contained two groups. The three sets of groups were:

TVP	SIC	Acres
\$1 to \$999	01, 08 All crops	1 to 69
\$1,000 to \$2,499	02 All livestock	70 or more
\$2,500 to \$4,999		
\$5,000 to \$9,999		
\$10,000 to \$24,999		
\$25,000 to \$49,999		
\$50,000 to \$99,999		
\$100,000 or more		

The first step in the estimation procedure classified the sample records into 32 mutually exclusive initial strata formed by the three variable groups. The total and sample farm counts were expanded to account for nonresponse. Each cell containing sample farm records was assigned an initial sample factor equal to the ratio of the total farm count to the sample farm count. This factor was approximately equal to the inverse of the probability of selecting a farm for the census sample.

The second step in the estimation procedure combined, when necessary, the 32 initial strata to increase the reliability of the weighting procedure. Any stratum that contained less than 10 sample farms or had a factor greater than twice the mail sample rate was collapsed with another stratum. The mail sample rate was either 2, 4, or 6,

depending on whether the county had a 1 in 2, 1 in 4, or 1 in 6 sample selection rate. The collapsing occurred within the 32 initial strata according to a specified collapsing pattern. After the collapsing process was completed, new total farm counts and sample farm counts were computed from each final strata and used to calculate final sample factors.

The final step calculated the noninteger sample weight as the product of the final sampling factor and the noninteger nonresponse weight. As described previously, the noninteger sample weight for each record is randomly rounded to an integer weight which is used in published tabulations. For example, if the final weight for a farm was 7.2, then the record would be rounded to either 7 or 8.

## CENSUS SAMPLING ERROR

The sample for the 1997 Census of Agriculture was only one of a large number of possible samples of the same size that could have been selected using the same sample design. In this context, "sample" refers to the sample for both the nonresponse survey and the selection of farms to receive sample forms.

The standard error, or sampling error, of a survey estimate is a measure of the variation among the estimates from all possible samples. It is a measure of precision - that is, how well an estimate from a particular sample approximates the true population parameter. The percent relative standard error of an estimate is defined as the standard error of the estimate divided by the value of the estimate, then multiplied by 100. The true population parameter can be defined or conceptualized several different ways. One way is to think of the true population parameter as the average result of all possible samples (selected using a given sample design). A second way is to think of the true population parameter as the figure obtained from carrying out a complete enumeration of the population.

If all possible samples were selected, each of the samples surveyed under essentially the same conditions, and an estimate and its standard error calculated from each sample, then:

1. Approximately 90 percent of the intervals from 1.65 standard errors below the estimate to 1.65 standard errors above the estimate would include the true population parameter.
2. Approximately 95 percent of the intervals from 1.96 standard errors below the estimate to 1.96 standard errors above the estimate would include the true population parameter.

The following example illustrates the computations necessary to produce a confidence statement for an estimate. Assume that the estimate of number of farms for a State is 94,382 and the relative standard error of the estimate is 0.1 percent (0.001). Multiplying 94,382 by 0.001 yields 94, the standard error; therefore, a 90-percent confidence interval is 94,227 to 94,537 (i.e., 94,382 plus or minus 1.65 x 94).

If corresponding confidence intervals were constructed for all possible samples of the same size and design, approximately 90 percent of these intervals would contain the true population parameter. Similarly, a 95-percent confidence interval is 94,198 to 94,566 (i.e., 94,382 plus or minus 1.96 x 94).

Census items were classified as either complete count or sample count items. All farm operators were asked the complete count items. Examples of complete count items were: land in farms, harvested cropland, livestock inventory and sales, crop acreage, quantities harvested and crop sales, land use, irrigation, government loans and payments, conservation acreage, type of organization, and operator characteristics.

Only a sample of farm operators were asked the sample count items. These items appeared only in sections 21 through 27 of the sample form. Sample count items were included under the following section headings: commercial fertilizers, chemicals, production expenses, farm machinery and equipment, value of land and buildings, farm-related income, and hired workers.

Variability in the estimates of complete count items was due only to the nonresponse survey estimation procedure. With regard to the estimates of sample count items, variability was due to both the nonresponse survey estimation procedure and the census sample selection and estimation procedure. Therefore, variability in the sample count item estimates tends to be larger than the variability in the complete count item estimates. Percent relative standard error is a common measure of variability.

Table B provides the generalized reliability estimates of the estimated number of farms in a county that reported complete count and sample count items. The top half of the table shows the percent relative standard errors for estimated number of farms in a county that reported a complete count item, and the bottom half relates to sample count items. These reliability estimates are derived from regression equations. Separate regression equations were used to produce each section of table B. Each regression equation was fit with the estimated number of farms in a county reporting an item as the independent variable and the relative variance of that estimate as the dependent variable for the appropriate counties in the State. To illustrate the use of this table, assume that the estimate of the number of farms reporting hogs and pigs for a particular county, as given in county table 15, is 89. Since hogs and pigs is a complete count data item, refer to the first part of table B and use the estimated percent relative standard error of the estimate from the row with farm count equal to or just less than the estimated number of farms, 89. For this example, the percent relative standard error of the estimate comes from the row for 75 farms reporting. For sample count items, follow the same procedure using the second part of table B. For counties with fewer than 100 farms in the 1992 Census of Agriculture, variability in sample count

item estimates came only from nonresponse survey estimation procedures. The estimated relative standard error for a sample count item in these counties may be obtained using the first part of table B.

Use caution when referring to the "Sample Count Item" section of table B to make inferences on counties. Some counties may have been sampled at the rate of 1 in 2 or 1 in 4, but the reliability estimates shown were computed using only data from counties sampled at the rate of 1 in 6. Therefore, the reliability estimates shown would likely be overstated (or conservative) if the county was actually sampled at a higher rate.

Table C presents the percent relative standard error of selected State data items for all farms, and table D presents the percent relative standard error of selected State data items for all farms with sales of \$10,000 or more.

Table E presents the standard error for percent change in State totals from 1992 to 1997. The general purpose of the percent change estimate is to provide a relative measure of the difference in a characteristic between censuses. The relative change for a given characteristic is defined as the ratio of the difference of the 1997 and the 1992 estimate for that characteristic to the 1992 estimate. This ratio is multiplied by 100 to obtain the percent change. The standard error of a percent change estimate is the standard error of the ratio multiplied by 100.

Table F presents the percent relative standard error for State and county totals for selected data items. The percent relative standard error of the estimate for the same item differs among counties in the State. Reasons for this are differences among counties in the (1) total number of farms, (2) number of large farms included with certainty, (3) size classifications of the farms sampled, (4) amount of nonresponse, (5) general agricultural characteristics, and (6) specific characteristic being measured.

The farm counts and related estimates displayed in tables A through F relate to unadjusted census totals. These totals are the same as the "Census total" displayed in the first column of table G (which will be discussed later in this appendix).

For most of the tables in this appendix, and also many of the tables throughout the publication, there is a footnote that reads "Data are based on a sample of farms." The table entries that this footnote relate to are estimates of totals. To illustrate, suppose that the entry "other farm-related income" is shown with this footnote and has some number of farms given. This number given would represent an estimated total number of farms with "other farm-related income," based on the farms that were in the sample. This number should not be interpreted as the number of farms in the sample that have "other farm-related income."

## CENSUS NONSAMPLING ERROR

The accuracy of the census counts is affected jointly by sampling errors (described in the previous section) and nonsampling errors. Extensive efforts were made to compile a complete and accurate mail list for the census, to

design an understandable report form with instructions, and to minimize processing errors through the use of quality control measures. Nonsampling errors arise from many sources, including respondent or enumerator error or incorrect data keying, editing, or imputing for missing data. These nonsampling errors are further discussed in this section. Nonsampling error due to mail list incompleteness and duplication as well as misclassification of records on the mail list is called coverage error. The section titled "Coverage Evaluation" discusses the evaluation studies conducted to measure the extent of this error in the census.

### Respondent and Enumerator Error

Incorrect or incomplete responses to the census report form or to the questions posed by an enumerator can introduce error into the census data. To reduce reporting error, detailed instructions for completing the report form were provided to each respondent. Questions were phrased as clearly as possible based on previous tests of the report form. In addition, each respondent's answers were checked for completeness and consistency by the complex edit and imputation system.

### Item Nonresponse

As information flowed from data collection to tabulation, various types of item nonresponses were identified on the census report forms. Nonresponse to particular questions on the census report form that logically should have been present created a type of nonsampling error in both complete count and sample count data. In this case, information from a similar farm was used to impute for these missing data items. The resulting data may have been biased if the characteristics of the nonreporting respondents were different from those of reporting respondents for those items.

### Processing Error

All phases of processing for each census report form were potential sources for the introduction of nonsampling error. An automated check-in recorded that the report had been returned and excluded from further followup mailings. Approximately one-third of the mail returns were reviewed to resolve questions dealing with multiple reports, respondent remarks, or no reported data. The remaining mail returns (about two-thirds) were batched and sent directly to data keying, along with some of the reviewed cases containing farm data. Keyed records were transmitted, formatted, and run through the complex edit and imputation system. About one-fifth of all forms edited were clerically reviewed for inconsistencies, omissions, or questionable values. While reviewing these forms, the edit review staff determined if the action taken by the computer edit and imputation system was correct. Edited records were tabulated to the county level. Each county was reviewed and, when necessary, individual records were corrected prior to publication.

Developing accurate processing methods is complicated by the complex structure of agriculture. Among the complexities are the many places to be included, the variety of arrangements under which farms are operated, the continuing changes in the relationship of operators to the farm operated, the expiration of leases and the initiation or renewal of leases, the problem of obtaining a complete list of agriculture operations, the difficulty of contacting and identifying some types of contractor/contractee relationships, the operator's absence from the farm during the data collection period, and the operator's opinion that part or all of the operation does not qualify and should not be included in the census. During data collection and processing of the census, all operations underwent a number of quality control checks to ensure as accurate an application as possible.

## COVERAGE EVALUATION

### Coverage Overview

The primary objectives of the census of agriculture are to accurately count U.S. farms, measure commodity production and sales, and measure demographic characteristics of farm operators. Since 1945, an evaluation of census coverage has been conducted for each census of agriculture to provide estimates of the completeness of census farm counts. These results help to identify problems and focus improvements for future censuses.

According to coverage evaluation results, the past five censuses of agriculture included an average of 92 percent of U.S. farms and 98 percent of agriculture production. Complete enumeration of agricultural operations satisfying the farm definition of \$1,000 or more in agricultural sales is complicated by the variety of arrangements under which farms are operated, the multiplicity of names used for an operation, the number of operations in which an operator participates, and the difficulty in classifying those operations just around the \$1,000 sales range. In 1997, extensive efforts were made to compile as complete and accurate a mail list as possible, while reducing the duplication and number of nonfarm operations on the list.

The 1997 coverage evaluation program was designed to measure four components of error in the census farm counts. These components include:

1. Undercount due to farms Not on the Mail List (NML)
2. Overcount due to farms Duplicated or enumerated more than once (DUP)
3. Undercount due to farms Incorrectly Classified as nonfarms (ICU)
4. Overcount due to nonfarms Incorrectly Classified as farms (ICO).

The first component, mail list undercount, is by far the largest component of coverage error. Duplication, though occurring far less frequently, can involve larger farms and have a larger impact on acreage and sales estimates. The

last two components involve the misclassification of either farms or nonfarms. Misclassification can arise from errors in either reporting or processing the data.

Table G - Coverage Estimates - illustrates the effect of coverage adjustments on census farm counts by demographic characteristics, land in farms, and total value of sales. The coverage total is defined as the net difference between undercounted and overcounted farms. The adjusted census total is the sum of the census total and the net coverage total. The relative standard error is shown for the final census coverage adjusted number. This number will be similar to the relative standard error for the census number, except when the coverage total is negative or close to zero. The coverage adjustment percentage shows the coverage total as a percentage of total census adjusted farms for that characteristic.

The 1997 Census of Agriculture is the first census to include all four components of coverage error in table G. Previous publications only included the coverage error component due to farms not on the mail list (NML). Because of this, caution should be taken when comparing coverage estimates from table G with previous years. In addition, the coverage total is a negative number for some characteristics. This means that the number of farms overcounted for this characteristic was greater than the number of farms undercounted.

### Area Frame Surveys to Measure Mail List Undercoverage

Names and addresses collected in the 1997 June Agricultural Survey and 1997 Fall Area Survey were used to estimate the undercount due to farms not on the census mail list (NML). These names were matched to the census mail list, and those that did not match were contacted by telephone or person. The enumerator verified whether the operation had reported in the census, and if not, a census of agriculture report form was completed.

The percentage of farms missed in the census varies considerably by State. In general, farms not on the mail list tended to be small in acreage, production, and sales of agricultural products. Farm operations could be missed for various reasons, including the possibility that the operation started after the mail list was developed, the operation may be so small as not to appear in any agriculture-related source lists, or the operation may have been falsely classified as a nonfarm prior to mailout.

### Classification Error Survey to Measure Three Types of Coverage Error

The remaining three types of coverage error were measured by the Classification Error Survey. This survey was used to estimate the number of farms counted more than once (DUP), the number of farms misclassified as nonfarms (ICU), and the number of nonfarms misclassified as farms (ICO). A sample of census of agriculture respondents was selected for reinterview to determine their farm/nonfarm status and collect information to identify

potential duplication. The farm classification from this interview was compared with the classification on the census of agriculture report form. Any differences between these two classifications were reconciled to determine the true farm status. Each operation was reviewed for duplication by matching the additional information received from the reinterview (landlords, tenants, other names, etc.) to the list of census respondents. Potential duplication was reviewed and discrepancies reconciled.

In general, the classification error rate is higher for small farms close to the \$1,000 agricultural sales requirement. This rate is also higher for farms with small acreage (less than 49 acres), higher for tenant farms than for full- or part-owner farms, and higher for farms where farming is not the operator's principal occupation.

### Coverage Estimation

The adjusted census total,  $T$ , is estimated as the census farm count,  $C$ , plus undercount and minus overcount adjustments. Undercount includes 1) farms not on the mail

list (NML) and 2) farms incorrectly classified as nonfarms (ICU). Overcount includes 3) nonfarms incorrectly classified as farms (ICO) and 4) farms duplicated in the census (DUP). Altogether, the adjusted census total is:

$$T = C + (NML + ICU) - (ICO + DUP).$$

In some States, estimates of misclassification of farms owned by operators having rare demographic characteristics were based on particularly small sample sizes. Where such small sample sizes occurred, a form of small area estimation was used in which data from similar States contributed to that State's estimates. In these cases, the coverage totals are weighted totals of the direct State estimate and the direct estimate from the region. Direct estimates were used to the largest extent possible, based on the amount of survey cases available for the particular item being estimated.

**Table A. Percent of State Totals Contributed by Whole Farm Nonresponse Estimation: 1997**

Item	Percent of total	Item	Percent of total
Farms ..... number..	7.2	Corn for grain or seed ..... acres..	1.2
Land in farms ..... acres..	2.9	Wheat for grain ..... acres..	2.6
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	3.7	Livestock and poultry inventory:	
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	1.2	Cattle and calves..... number..	2.7
Harvested cropland..... acres..	2.7	Hogs and pigs .....	number..
		Layers 20 weeks old and older..... number..	5.3
			.2

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

**Table B. Reliability Estimates for Number of Farms in a County Reporting a Complete Count Item or Sample Count Item: 1997**

Farms	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Farms	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>COMPLETE COUNT ITEM</b>			
Number of farms reporting:			
25 .....	5.1	25 .....	40.5
50 .....	3.2	50 .....	28.3
75 .....	2.2	75 .....	22.8
100 .....	1.5	100 .....	19.4
150 .....	1.2	150 .....	15.4
200 .....	1.1	200 .....	12.9
300 .....	.9	300 .....	9.9
500 .....	.7	500 .....	6.4
750 .....	.5	750 .....	3.6
1,000.....	.5	1,000.....	3.1
1,500.....	.4	1,500.....	2.5
2,000.....	.3	2,000.....	2.2

**Table C. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for All Farms: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>F FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>					
Farms .....	29 011	.4	FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES <sup>1</sup>		
Land in farms .....	15 179 710	.2	Total farm production expenses .....	farms..	29 002
Average size of farm .....	523	.5	\$1,000..	3 607 282	.2
			Average per farm .....	dollars..	124 380
			Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms..	6 743
			\$1,000..	353 157	.2
			Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms..	13 102
			\$1,000..	495 975	.4
			Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	farms..	7 282
			\$1,000..	249 934	.5
<b>M MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>					
Total sales (see text) .....	29 011	.4	Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	farms..	9 656
\$1,000..	4 767 727	.4	\$1,000..	110 654	.6
Average per farm .....	164 342	.4	Commercial fertilizer .....	farms..	14 931
			\$1,000..	231 396	.7
Farms by value of sales:			Agricultural chemicals .....	farms..	15 112
Less than \$1,000 (see text) .....	4 729	.6	\$1,000..	208 739	.6
\$1,000..	968	.8	Petroleum products .....	farms..	26 560
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	3 969	.6	\$1,000..	124 646	.5
\$1,000..	6 542	.6	Electricity .....	farms..	20 850
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	3 299	.6	\$1,000..	73 693	.6
\$1,000..	11 696	.6	Hired farm labor .....	farms..	13 598
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	2 954	.7	\$1,000..	771 003	.4
\$1,000..	20 767	.7	Contract labor .....	farms..	3 631
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	2 486	.8	\$1,000..	44 164	1.9
\$1,000..	34 760	.8	Repair and maintenance .....	farms..	23 501
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	756	1.1	\$1,000..	229 971	.7
\$1,000..	16 589	1.1	Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment .....	farms..	8 798
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	1 330	1.0	\$1,000..	85 730	1.0
\$1,000..	41 756	1.0	Interest .....	farms..	11 538
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	642	1.3	\$1,000..	214 518	.7
\$1,000..	28 300	1.3	Secured by real estate .....	farms..	8 055
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	2 093	.9	\$1,000..	124 759	1.1
\$1,000..	149 960	.9	Not secured by real estate .....	farms..	6 677
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	3 066	.7	\$1,000..	89 759	.7
\$1,000..	502 500	.6	Cash rent .....	farms..	5 888
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	1 806	—	\$1,000..	124 823	2.1
\$1,000..	629 966	—	Property taxes .....	farms..	27 085
\$500,000 or more .....	1 881	—	\$1,000..	96 621	.8
\$1,000..	3 323 925	—	All other farm production expenses .....	farms..	26 118
Sales by commodity or commodity group:			\$1,000..	442 190	.4
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	16 241	.4			
\$1,000..	3 251 291	.1			
Grains .....	4 596	.5			
\$1,000..	673 641	.2			
Corn for grain .....	488	.8			
\$1,000..	43 522	.4			
Wheat .....	4 079	.5			
\$1,000..	507 072	.3			
Soybeans .....	—	—			
\$1,000..	—	—			
Sorghum for grain .....	—	—			
\$1,000..	—	—			
Barley .....	1 687	.6			
\$1,000..	66 461	.4			
Oats .....	182	1.9			
\$1,000..	1 438	2.5			
Other grains .....	1 042	.6			
\$1,000..	55 147	.4			
Cotton and cottonseed .....	—	—			
\$1,000..	—	—			
Tobacco .....	—	—			
\$1,000..	—	—			
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	6 208	.5			
\$1,000..	252 478	.3			
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	1 506	.6			
\$1,000..	270 260	.2			
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	5 484	.5			
\$1,000..	1 240 242	.1			
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	1 909	.7			
\$1,000..	271 580	.2			
Other crops .....	711	.5			
\$1,000..	543 090	(L)			
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	14 149	.4			
\$1,000..	1 516 436	.4			
Poultry and poultry products .....	873	.9			
\$1,000..	170 322	.1			
Dairy products .....	958	.5			
\$1,000..	622 266	.1			
Cattle and calves .....	10 857	.4			
\$1,000..	646 919	.1			
Hogs and pigs .....	818	1.0			
\$1,000..	7 645	1.2			
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	1 104	.9			
\$1,000..	3 559	1.1			
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	3 021	.6			
\$1,000..	65 725	.4			
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	3 055	.6			
\$1,000..	13 700	.7			
			Total .....	farms..	743
			\$1,000..	40 475	.8
<b>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>					
All farms .....	number..	29 009	.4		
\$1,000..	1 132 634	.6			
Average per farm .....	dollars..	39 044	.7		
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> .....	number..	13 510	1.1		
\$1,000..	1 254 760	.5			
Average net gain .....	dollars..	92 876	1.2		
Farms with net losses .....	number..	15 499	1.0		
\$1,000..	122 126	2.1			
Average net loss .....	dollars..	7 880	2.3		
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>					
Government payments .....	farms..	5 711	.5		
\$1,000..	94 189	.5			
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> .....	farms..	8 302	1.9		
\$1,000..	84 688	3.3			
Customwork and other agricultural services .....	farms..	2 035	4.4		
\$1,000..	29 640	6.5			
Gross cash rent or share payments .....	farms..	2 360	4.1		
\$1,000..	30 546	5.2			
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products .....	farms..	1 010	6.5		
\$1,000..	9 942	7.3			
Other farm-related income sources .....	farms..	4 408	2.4		
\$1,000..	14 561	3.6			
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>					

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table C. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for All Farms: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)			
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>								
Total cropland .....	farms..	24 656	All operators .....	farms..	29 011			
	acres..	7 913 709		acres..	15 179 710			
Harvested cropland .....	farms..	20 445	Full owners .....	farms..	19 015			
	acres..	4 895 633		acres..	5 118 187			
Farms by acres harvested:			Part owners .....	farms..	7 186			
1 to 9 acres .....	farms..	5 299		acres..	7 598 442			
	acres..	21 137	Tenants .....	farms..	2 810			
10 to 19 acres .....	farms..	2 836		acres..	2 463 081			
	acres..	37 338						
20 to 29 acres .....	farms..	1 691	<b>TENURE OF OPERATOR</b>					
	acres..	38 752	All operators .....	farms..	26 322			
30 to 49 acres .....	farms..	2 007		acres..	9 792 902			
	acres..	74 329	Owned land in farms .....	farms..	26 201			
50 to 99 acres .....	farms..	2 276		acres..	8 484 764			
	acres..	156 850	Land rented or leased from others .....	farms..	10 077			
100 to 199 acres .....	farms..	1 666		acres..	6 814 899			
	acres..	228 141	Rented or leased land in farms .....	farms..	26 114			
200 to 499 acres .....	farms..	1 857		acres..	9 996			
	acres..	586 664	Land rented or leased to others .....	farms..	6 694 946			
500 to 999 acres .....	farms..	1 359		acres..	3 199			
	acres..	970 697		acres..	1 428 091			
1,000 acres or more .....	farms..	1 454			.7			
	acres..	2 781 725						
Cropland:			<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>					
Pasture or grazing only .....	farms..	9 321	Land owned .....	farms..	26 322			
	acres..	503 514		acres..	9 792 902			
Other cropland .....	farms..	6 152	Owned land in farms .....	farms..	26 201			
	acres..	2 514 562		acres..	8 484 764			
Total woodland .....	farms..	6 934	Land rented or leased from others .....	farms..	10 077			
	acres..	1 849 056		acres..	6 814 899			
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured.....	farms..	6 886	Rented or leased land in farms .....	farms..	26 114			
	acres..	4 944 327		acres..	9 996			
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. ....	farms..	16 825	Land rented or leased to others .....	farms..	6 694 946			
	acres..	472 618		acres..	3 199			
Irrigated land .....	farms..	13 131		acres..	1 428 091			
	acres..	1 705 025			.6			
Acres irrigated:								
1 to 9 acres .....	farms..	4 368	<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>					
	acres..	17 075	Operators by place of residence:					
10 to 49 acres .....	farms..	4 180	On farm operated .....	farms..	22 618			
	acres..	97 900	Not on farm operated .....	farms..	4 748			
50 to 99 acres .....	farms..	1 528	Not reported .....	farms..	1 645			
	acres..	105 812	Operators by principal occupation:					
100 to 199 acres.....	farms..	1 160	Farming .....	farms..	15 465			
	acres..	159 030	Other .....	farms..	13 546			
200 to 499 acres.....	farms..	1 094	Operators by days worked off farm:					
	acres..	337 396	Any .....	farms..	15 079			
500 to 999 acres.....	farms..	507	200 days or more .....	farms..	9 924			
	acres..	348 399	Operators by sex:					
1,000 acres or more.....	farms..	294	Male .....	farms..	25 488			
	acres..	639 413		acres..	14 548 988			
Harvested cropland irrigated .....	farms..	11 346	Female .....	farms..	3 523			
	acres..	1 592 825		acres..	630 722			
Pasture and other land irrigated .....	farms..	3 775	Average age of operator .....	years..	54.2			
	acres..	112 200			.6			
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands			<b>F FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>					
Reserve Programs .....	farms..	2 431	Individual or family (sole proprietorship) .....	farms..	23 466			
	acres..	931 706		acres..	6 416 648			
			Partnership .....	farms..	2 548			
				acres..	2 891 699			
			Corporation:					
			Family held .....	farms..	2 521			
				acres..	3 181 311			
			More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	61			
				acres..	2 460			
			10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	1.9			
			Other than family held .....	farms..	255			
				acres..	1.3			
			More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	235 405			
				acres..	1.7			
			10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	217			
			Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ....	farms..	221			
				acres..	1.7			
				2 454 647	.1			
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of land and buildings .....	farms..	29 009	<b>HIRE FARM LABOR<sup>1</sup></b>					
	\$1,000.	.4						
Average per farm .....	dollars..	18 409 652	Hired workers by days worked:					
		.7	150 days or more .....	farms..	6 795			
Average per acre .....	dollars..	634 619		workers..	39 893			
		.8	Less than 150 days .....	farms..	12 606			
		1 192		workers..	211 502			
		1.2						
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment .....	farms..	29 008	<b>INJURIES AND DEATHS</b>					
	\$1,000.	.4						
Average per farm .....	dollars..	2 021 640	Farm-related injuries:					
		.8	Operator and family members .....	farms..	293			
		.9		number..	363			
		69 693	Hired workers .....	farms..	1 033			
				number..	2 638			
			Farm-related deaths:					
			Operator and family members .....	farms..	5			
				number..	5			
			Hired workers .....	farms..	6			
				number..	7			
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms..	14 827						
	acres on which used..	4 169 569						

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table C. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for All Farms: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>F FARMS BY SIZE</b>					
1 to 9 acres .....	farms..	.5	LIVESTOCK—Con.		
	acres..	.6	Cattle and calves sold .....	farms..	10 857 .4
10 to 49 acres .....	farms..	.5	number..	1 086 270 .2	
	acres..	.5	\$1,000..	646 919 .1	
50 to 69 acres .....	farms..	.5	Hogs and pigs inventory .....	farms..	978 .9
	acres..	.7	number..	38 030 1.5	
70 to 99 acres .....	farms..	.7	Hogs and pigs sold .....	farms..	818 1.0
	acres..	.7	number..	72 045 1.1	
100 to 139 acres .....	farms..	.7	\$1,000..	7 645 1.2	
	acres..	.7			
140 to 179 acres .....	farms..	.8	Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory .....	farms..	1 189 .9
	acres..	.8	number..	52 298 1.3	
180 to 219 acres .....	farms..	1.0	Sheep and lambs sold .....	farms..	1 016 .9
	acres..	1.0	number..	42 911 1.1	
220 to 259 acres .....	farms..	1.0			
	acres..	1.0			
260 to 499 acres .....	farms..	1.0	Horses and ponies inventory .....	farms..	8 052 .5
	acres..	.7	number..	58 768 1.4	
500 to 999 acres .....	farms..	.7	Horses and ponies sold .....	farms..	2 075 .7
	acres..	.7	number..	7 545 1.3	
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	farms..	.7			
	acres..	.7			
2,000 acres or more .....	farms..	.4			
	acres..	.2			
<b>F FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>					
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) .....	farms..	.6	<b>P Poultry</b>		
	acres..	.3			
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....	farms..	.7	Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	farms..	1 543 .8
	acres..	.1	number..	5 797 721 .1	
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....	farms..	.5	Layers 20 weeks old and older .....	farms..	1 504 .8
	acres..	.5	number..	4 787 360 .1	
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....	farms..	.8			
	acres..	.9			
Other crop farming (1119) .....	farms..	.5			
	acres..	.5			
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111) .....	farms..	.6	<b>S SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>		
	acres..	.5			
Cattle feedlots (112112) .....	farms..	.4	Corn for grain or seed .....	farms..	514 .8
	acres..	1.1	acres..	84 300 .4	
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....	farms..	.8	bushels..	16 163 861 .4	
	acres..	.5			
Hog and pig farming (1122) .....	farms..	.4	Corn for silage or green chop .....	farms..	633 .6
	acres..	1.6	acres..	53 417 .4	
Poultry and egg production (1123) .....	farms..	4.9	tons, green..	1 340 460 .4	
	acres..	1.4			
Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....	farms..	17 577 .4	Wheat for grain .....	farms..	4 097 .5
	acres..	1.2	acres..	2 422 506 .3	
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) .....	farms..	43 408 2.7	bushels..	151 124 143 .3	
	acres..				
			Barley for grain .....	farms..	1 787 .6
			acres..	436 299 .4	
			bushels..	30 939 269 .4	
<b>L LIVESTOCK</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory .....	farms..	.6	Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas .....	farms..	315 1.0
	number..	.4	acres..	37 155 .6	
Beef cows .....	farms..	.2	cwt..	819 343 .6	
	number..	.5			
Milk cows .....	farms..	.5	Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes .....	farms..	415 .6
	number..	.6	acres..	155 074 .1	
		.1	cwt..	87 208 607 .1	
			Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	farms..	10 108 .4
			acres..	800 677 .4	
			tons, dry..	3 013 551 .4	
			Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	farms..	1 506 .6
			acres..	209 456 .2	
			Land in orchards .....	farms..	5 700 .5
			acres..	301 376 .2	

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

<sup>2</sup>Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains.

**Table D. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for Farms With Sales of \$10,000 or More:  
1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>F FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>					
Farms .....	14 060	.4	Total farm production expenses .....	14 060	.5
Land in farms .....	12 843 701	.2	farms.. \$1,000..	3 507 731	.2
Average size of farm .....	913	.5	Average per farm .....	249 483	.5
<b>M MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>					
Total sales (see text) .....	14 060	.4	Livestock and poultry purchased .....	3 126	2.7
farms.. \$1,000..	4 727 755	.1	farms.. \$1,000..	345 436	.4
Average per farm .....	336 256	.5	Feed for livestock and poultry .....	5 023	1.9
Farms by value of sales:			farms.. \$1,000..	484 572	.4
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	.7	Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	2 951	2.7
34 760	.7	farms.. \$1,000..	246 923	.5	
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	1.1	Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	7 632	1.4
756	1.1	farms.. \$1,000..	109 935	.6	
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	1.1	Commercial fertilizer .....	10 719	1.0
16 589	1.1	farms.. \$1,000..	228 667	.7	
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	1.0	Agricultural chemicals .....	10 498	1.0
41 756	1.0	farms.. \$1,000..	205 994	.6	
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	1.3	Petroleum products .....	13 811	.5
2 093	1.3	farms.. \$1,000..	118 384	.5	
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	.9	Electricity .....	12 095	.8
149 960	.9	farms.. \$1,000..	70 180	.6	
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	farms.. \$1,000..	.6	Hired farm labor .....	10 074	1.0
502 500	.6	farms.. \$1,000..	767 970	.4	
\$500,000 or more .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Contract labor .....	2 385	3.3
1 881	—	farms.. \$1,000..	43 230	1.9	
Sales by commodity or commodity group:			Repair and maintenance .....	13 122	.6
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	farms.. \$1,000..	215 856	.7
11 279	—	Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment .....	6 341	1.7	
3 236 839	—	farms.. \$1,000..	83 987	1.1	
Grains .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Interest .....	8 500	1.3
4 270	—	farms.. \$1,000..	204 895	.7	
Corn for grain .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Secured by real estate .....	5 696	1.9
469	—	farms.. \$1,000..	116 352	1.0	
Wheat .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Not secured by real estate .....	5 539	1.9
43 461	—	farms.. \$1,000..	88 543	.7	
Soybeans .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	All other farm production expenses .....	431 692	.4
Sorghum for grain .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Cash rent .....	4 672	2.0
Barley .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	farms.. \$1,000..	123 584	1.2
Oats .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Property taxes .....	12 958	.7
Other grains .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	farms.. \$1,000..	73 349	.9
Cotton and cottonseed .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	All other farm production expenses .....	14 059	.5
Tobacco .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	farms.. \$1,000..	431 692	.4
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT) <sup>1</sup>		
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	All farms .....	14 060	.5
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	number.. \$1,000..	1 192 258	.6
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Average per farm .....	84 798	.7
Other crops .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> .....	10 761	1.0
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	number.. \$1,000..	1 249 598	.5
Poultry and poultry products .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Average net gain .....	116 123	1.1
Dairy products .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Farms with net losses .....	3 299	2.9
Cattle and calves .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	number.. \$1,000..	57 341	3.5
Hogs and pigs .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Average net loss .....	17 381	4.5
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME		
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	Government payments .....	4 453	.5
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	farms.. \$1,000..	—	farms.. \$1,000..	80 312	.4
1 010	—	Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> .....	5 507	2.0	
10 897	—	farms.. \$1,000..	71 643	3.6	
—	—	Customwork and other agricultural services .....	1 331	5.0	
—	—	farms.. \$1,000..	26 900	7.0	
—	—	Gross cash rent or share payments .....	1 299	5.1	
—	—	farms.. \$1,000..	25 383	5.3	
—	—	Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products .....	348	9.6	
—	—	farms.. \$1,000..	5 382	11.6	
—	—	Other farm-related income sources .....	3 704	2.4	
—	—	farms.. \$1,000..	13 979	3.6	
—	—	COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS			
—	—	Total .....	740	.8	
—	—	farms.. \$1,000..	40 473	.6	

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**Table D. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for Farms With Sales of \$10,000 or More:  
1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)			
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>								
Total cropland .....	farms..	.5	Farms by type of organization					
acres..	7 290 843	.3	Individual or family (sole proprietorship) .....	farms..	9 599 .5			
Harvested cropland .....	farms..	.5	acres..	5 391 911 .5				
acres..	4 758 551	.2	Partnership .....	farms..	1 899 .6			
Cropland:			acres..	2 752 736 .3				
Pasture or grazing only .....	farms..	.6	Corporation:					
acres..	3 334	.8	Family held .....	farms..	2 252 .5			
343 041			acres..	3 093 650 .4				
Total woodland .....	farms..	.6	More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	51 1.5			
acres..	1 572 426	.3	10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	2 201 .5			
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and			Other than family held .....	farms..	204 1.3			
woodland pastured.....	farms..	.6	acres..	229 519 .4				
acres..	3 620 618	.3	More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	35 1.1			
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. ....	farms..	.5	10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	169 1.6			
acres..	7 780		Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ....	farms..	106 2.1			
Irrigated land .....	farms..	.6	acres..	1 375 885 .2				
acres..	1 645 052	.2						
Harvested cropland irrigated .....	farms..	.5	<b>Hired farm labor<sup>1</sup></b>					
acres..	8 044	.2	Hired workers by days worked:					
Pasture and other land irrigated .....	farms..	.2	150 days or more .....	farms..	5 841 1.5			
acres..	1 545	.7	workers..	38 893 .8				
84 997	.9	Less than 150 days .....	farms..	9 109 1.2				
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands			workers..	201 899 1.4				
Reserve Programs .....	farms..	.6						
acres..	1 607	.7	<b>Injuries and deaths</b>					
	645 732		Farm-related injuries:					
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>			Operator and family members .....	farms..	167 1.6			
Estimated market value of land and buildings .....	farms..	.5	number..	222 1.4				
\$1,000..	14 060		Hired workers .....	farms..	991 .4			
Average per farm .....	dollars..	.7	number..	2 584 .2				
Average per acre .....	dollars..	.9						
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>			Farm-related deaths:					
Estimated market value of all machinery and			Operator and family members .....	farms..	3			
equipment .....	farms..	.5	number..	(D) (D)				
\$1,000..	1 710 634	.9	Hired workers .....	farms..	5			
Average per farm .....	dollars..	1.0	number..	(D) (D)				
121 675								
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>			<b>Farms by size</b>					
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms..	1.0	1 to 9 acres .....		1 152 .8			
acres on which used..	4 102 228	1.1	10 to 49 acres .....		3 018 .7			
			50 to 69 acres .....		798 1.0			
			70 to 99 acres .....		946 .9			
			100 to 139 acres .....		892 .8			
			140 to 179 acres .....		728 .9			
			180 to 219 acres .....		473 1.0			
			220 to 259 acres .....		435 1.1			
			260 to 499 acres .....		1 402 .7			
			500 to 999 acres .....		1 354 .7			
			1,000 to 1,999 acres .....		1 286 .7			
			2,000 acres or more .....		1 576 .4			
<b>TENURE OF OPERATOR</b>			<b>Farms by North American industry classification system</b>					
All operators .....	farms..	.4	Oilseed and grain farming (111) .....		2 941 .5			
acres..	12 843 701	.2	Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....		749 .8			
Full owners .....	farms..	.5	Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....		3 896 .5			
acres..	6 916		Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....		930 .8			
Part owners .....	farms..	.3	Other crop farming (1119) .....		1 862 .7			
acres..	3 253 070	.5	Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111) .....		1 996 .7			
Tenants .....	farms..	.3	Cattle feedlots (112112) .....		106 2.2			
acres..	5 072		Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....		889 .5			
			Hog and pig farming (1122) .....		63 3.2			
			Poultry and egg production (1123) .....		116 1.4			
			Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....		51 3.8			
			Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) .....		461 1.3			
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>			<b>Livestock</b>					
Land owned .....	farms..	.5	Cattle and calves inventory .....	farms..	4 808 .5			
acres..	7 291 293	.3	number..	1 083 706 .2				
Owned land in farms .....	farms..	.5	Beef cows .....	farms..	3 287 .6			
acres..	11 988		number..	250 686 .5				
			Milk cows .....	farms..	1 018 5			
Land rented or leased from others .....	farms..	.5	number..	246 610 .1				
acres..	7 181		Cattle and calves sold .....	farms..	4 835 .5			
Rented or leased land in farms .....	landlords..	.4	number..	1 039 495 .2				
acres..	6 503 750		\$1,000..	628 856 .1				
			Hogs and pigs inventory .....	farms..	32 588 1.7			
			number..	295				
			Hogs and pigs sold .....	farms..	256 1.6			
			number..	64 502 1.2				
			\$1,000..	6 858 1.3				
Land rented or leased to others .....	farms..	.7	Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory .....	farms..	309 1.4			
acres..	1 736	.7	number..	33 019 1.8				
			Sheep and lambs sold .....	farms..	284 1.5			
			number..	28 507 1.5				
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			Horses and ponies inventory .....	farms..	2 496 .6			
Operators by place of residence:			number..	20 701 1.0				
On farm operated .....		.5	Horses and ponies sold .....	farms..	626 1.1			
Not on farm operated .....		.6	number..	4 520 2.0				
Not reported .....		.6						
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....		.4						
Other .....		.6						
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....		.6						
200 days or more .....		.7						
Operators by sex:								
Male .....		.4						
Female .....		.9						
Average age of operator .....	years..	.6						

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table D. Reliability Estimates of State Totals for Farms With Sales of \$10,000 or More:  
1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Item	Total	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)		
<b>POULTRY</b>							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	farms..	344	1.4	SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—Con.			
number..	5 773 172	.1	Barley for grain .....	farms..	1 695	.6	
Layers 20 weeks old and older .....	farms..	335	1.4	acres..	433 872	.4	
number..	4 766 714	.1	bushels..	30 816 241	.4		
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	farms..	88	1.5	Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas .....	farms..	302	1.0
number..	30 173 811	.1	acres..	37 057	.7		
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>							
Corn for grain or seed .....	farms..	492	.8	Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes.....	farms..	817 964	.6
acres..	84 060	.4	acres..	375	.5		
bushels..	16 134 584	.3	cwt..	155 056	.1		
Corn for silage or green chop .....	farms..	606	.6	cwt..	87 202 945	.1	
acres..	53 120	.4	Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	farms..	4 916	.5	
Wheat for grain .....	tons, green..	1 335 796	.4	acres..	689 473	.4	
farms..	3 891	.5	tons, dry..	2 821 123	.4		
acres..	2 416 282	.3	Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	farms..	1 198	.6	
bushels..	150 866 650	.3	acres..	208 859	.3		
			Land in orchards.....	farms..	4 015	.5	
			acres..	288 740	.2		

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

<sup>2</sup>Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains.

**Table E. Reliability Estimates of Percent Change in State Totals: 1992 to 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	All farms		Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more		
	Percent change from 1992 to 1997	Standard error of estimate	Percent change from 1992 to 1997	Standard error of estimate	
Farms ..... number..	-4.1	.8	-4.5	.7	
Land in farms ..... acres..	-3.5	.3	-4.6	.3	
Average size of farm .....	.6	.8	-.2	.8	
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :					
Average per farm ..... dollars..	35.5	1.8	35.1	1.9	
Average per acre ..... dollars..	33.6	2.2	35.5	2.3	
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :					
Average per farm ..... dollars..	14.2	1.6	13.6	1.7	
Farms by size:					
1 to 9 acres .....	-3.9	1.1	11.2	1.7	
10 to 49 acres .....	-3.8	1.0	-3.4	1.2	
50 to 179 acres .....	-4.4	.7	-6.2	.7	
180 to 499 acres .....	-5.9	.8	-6.9	.8	
500 to 999 acres .....	-4.8	1.1	-9.0	1.0	
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-1.7	.7	-4.4	.7	
2,000 acres or more .....	-3.6	.4	-4.8	.4	
Total cropland ..... farms..	-4.3	.7	-4.5	.7	
acres..	-1.1	.3	-2.7	.3	
Harvested cropland ..... farms..	-3.9	.7	-3.4	.7	
acres..	3.4	.3	3.8	.3	
Irrigated land ..... farms..	-6.7	.8	-5.1	.8	
acres..	3.9	.4	4.2	.4	
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	\$1,000..	24.8	.2	.2	
Average per farm ..... dollars..	30.2	1.1	30.9	1.0	
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	\$1,000..	32.6	.3	.3	
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	\$1,000..	10.7	.1	.1	
Farms by value of sales:					
Less than \$2,500 .....	-3.1	.9	(X)	(X)	
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	-5.4	1.2	(X)	(X)	
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	-4.0	1.2	(X)	(X)	
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	-2.6	1.1	-2.6	1.1	
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	-14.4	1.1	-14.4	1.1	
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	-13.7	1.2	-13.7	1.2	
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	-12.2	.8	-12.2	.8	
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	3.1	—	3.1	—	
\$500,000 or more .....	32.8	—	32.8	—	
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	\$1,000..	15.5	.5	.6	
Average per farm ..... dollars..	20.5	1.0	21.6	1.1	
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	farms..	-4.1	.8	.8	
\$1,000..	64.4	1.8	60.0	1.6	
Average per farm .....	dollars..	71.5	2.3	67.8	2.2
Operators by principal occupation:					
Farming .....	-6.2	.7	-6.7	.7	
Other .....	-1.6	1.0	3.5	1.2	
Operators by days worked off farm:					
Any .....	-3.9	.9	-2.1	1.1	
200 days or more .....	-5.0	1.0	-.1	1.2	
Livestock and poultry:					
Cattle and calves inventory .....	farms..	-13.1	.7	.7	
number..	5.2	.3	.3		
Beef cows .....	farms..	-9.7	.8	.9	
number..	2.0	.7	.7		
Milk cows .....	farms..	-29.3	.6	.6	
number..	1.8	.2	.2		
Cattle and calves sold .....	farms..	-11.4	.7	.7	
number..	7.1	.3	.3		
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	farms..	-30.5	1.0	1.3	
number..	32.3	1.4	1.6		
Hogs and pigs sold .....	farms..	-28.9	1.1	1.3	
number..	23.1	1.5	1.6		
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	farms..	-12.8	1.3	1.8	
number..	17.7	1.7	2.3		
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	farms..	-18.2	1.1	1.7	
number..	5.4	.2	.2		
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	farms..	-1.2	2.6	2.0	
number..	10.5	.2	.2		
Selected crops harvested:					
Corn for grain or seed .....	farms..	-10.0	1.2	1.2	
acres..	10.9	.6	.6		
bushels..	4.1	.6	.6		
Wheat for grain .....	farms..	-18.6	.6	.6	
acres..	2.9	.3	.3		
bushels..	25.1	.4	.4		
Barley for grain .....	farms..	-26.4	.6	.6	
acres..	3.3	.5	.5		
bushels..	58.1	.8	.8		
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes .....	farms..	-3.7	1.0	.8	
acres..	20.1	.1	.1		
cwt..	39.9	.1	.1		
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	farms..	-2.8	.8	.8	
acres..	8.1	.7	.7		
tons, dry..	12.9	.7	.7		
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	farms..	-6.2	.9	1.0	
acres..	21.7	.5	.5		
Land in orchards .....	farms..	-8.4	.8	.9	
acres..	17.6	.4	.4		

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Farms		Land in farms		Average size of farm		Average market value of land and buildings per farm <sup>1</sup>		Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup>	
	Total (number)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (acres)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (acres)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Value (dollars)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>29 011</b>	.4	<b>15 179 710</b>	.2	<b>523</b>	.5	<b>634 619</b>	.8	<b>2 021 640</b>	.8
Adams .....	628	.6	1 096 447	.5	1 746	.8	1 307 300	2.7	103 438	6.0
Astotin .....	140	.5	304 471	1.2	2 175	1.3	1 002 812	5.0	11 326	10.1
Benton .....	1 078	.3	611 903	.5	568	.6	1 122 202	1.1	102 567	1.3
Chelan .....	1 113	.4	123 731	1.6	111	1.6	414 983	5.8	57 657	4.4
Clallam .....	292	.3	21 034	1.5	72	1.6	399 516	10.1	7 647	10.8
Clark .....	1 175	.3	72 841	1.3	62	1.4	324 988	6.2	28 418	4.7
Columbia .....	198	.5	310 189	.9	1 567	1.0	774 904	3.9	26 627	5.4
Cowlitz .....	349	.4	31 103	1.5	89	1.5	364 799	6.0	11 952	10.7
Douglas .....	853	.3	906 433	.6	1 063	.7	777 776	3.7	73 876	4.7
Ferry .....	179	.8	809 816	.4	4 524	.8	1 835 392	2.9	6 718	6.6
Franklin .....	848	.5	563 716	.8	665	.9	969 359	2.1	110 214	3.5
Garfield .....	182	.5	325 220	.7	1 787	.9	974 315	2.5	28 566	5.3
Grant .....	1 699	.4	1 095 099	.5	645	.7	1 001 298	1.7	252 468	1.5
Grays Harbor .....	389	.5	42 350	1.6	109	1.7	261 918	9.3	12 562	9.2
Island .....	261	.4	15 900	1.5	61	1.5	393 988	7.6	6 616	5.5
Jefferson .....	144	.4	13 091	3.0	91	3.0	269 645	6.4	2 674	6.6
King .....	1 091	.5	41 653	1.1	38	1.2	378 684	5.0	38 733	6.5
Kitsap .....	359	.4	19 129	1.0	53	1.1	266 736	8.2	9 465	13.1
Kittitas .....	757	.4	177 815	1.5	235	1.6	539 603	3.8	46 119	3.7
Klickitat .....	530	.3	588 732	.6	1 111	.7	626 995	5.8	24 963	6.7
Lewis .....	1 117	.4	117 677	1.0	105	1.1	387 139	6.6	36 375	5.7
Lincoln .....	707	.5	1 375 869	.5	1 946	.7	1 078 654	3.3	98 543	5.7
Mason .....	211	.6	19 986	2.1	95	2.2	302 155	6.3	3 506	5.9
Okanogan .....	1 270	.6	1 178 850	.7	928	.9	855 328	4.0	66 621	4.6
Pacific .....	253	.4	40 228	2.2	159	2.2	367 825	4.9	8 710	6.6
Pend Oreille .....	225	.5	63 123	1.7	281	1.8	348 083	7.4	7 802	9.0
Pierce .....	989	.4	50 868	1.1	51	1.2	336 152	3.8	30 003	5.1
San Juan .....	174	.5	16 887	4.1	97	4.2	486 783	7.4	2 674	8.8
Skagit .....	714	.3	93 495	.6	131	.7	609 685	4.5	51 022	5.1
Skamania .....	63	.5	4 220	1.9	67	1.9	334 096	3.7	1 771	3.0
Snohomish .....	1 139	.4	60 588	1.0	53	1.1	387 090	4.8	38 001	4.3
Spokane .....	1 643	.4	589 843	.7	359	.8	468 834	3.6	85 692	5.3
Stevens .....	989	.5	525 121	1.0	531	1.1	510 064	5.4	36 433	6.9
Thurston .....	832	.4	56 300	1.3	68	1.3	381 045	8.3	36 462	3.3
Wahkiakum .....	108	.3	13 379	3.0	124	3.0	348 263	9.6	3 323	9.8
Walla Walla .....	716	.3	714 777	.5	998	.6	890 555	4.1	77 224	4.5
Whatcom .....	1 228	.3	103 600	.5	84	.6	448 699	4.5	68 381	3.3
Whitman .....	1 003	.6	1 301 265	.5	1 297	.8	1 119 766	3.2	161 977	3.1
Yakima .....	3 365	.4	1 682 961	.2	500	.4	605 297	1.4	244 516	1.5
Geographic area	Average market value of all machinery and equipment per farm <sup>1</sup>		Market value of agricultural products sold		Average market value of agricultural products sold per farm		Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup>			
	Value (dollars)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Value (dollars)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total farm production expenses	
									Farms	
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>69 693</b>	.9	<b>4 767 727</b>	.1	<b>164 342</b>	.4	<b>29 002</b>	.4	<b>3 607 282</b>	.2
			164 710		321 454		628		142 351	
			80 899		69 593		140		8 642	
			95 057		278 785		1 079		230 754	
	<b>164 403</b>	4.4	146 403	.4	131 539	.6	1 112	.6	96 785	1.5
			26 187		20 584		292		6 373	
			24 206		36 667		1 174		36 207	
			134 479		123 619		198		19 432	
			34 345		45 612		348		13 520	
	<b>117 623</b>	4.8	117 623	.3	137 894	.4	854	.5	83 719	1.6
			37 532		28 007		179		3 861	
			129 816		392 612		849		236 457	
			156 957		135 633		182		20 199	
			148 510		473 368		1 700		599 607	
	<b>15 029</b>	9.3	15 029	.7	38 635	.9	388	.9	11 904	4.7
			25 350		40 376		261		9 128	
			18 568		30 007		144		3 021	
			35 503		85 968		1 091		79 834	
			26 365		34 074		359		10 740	
	<b>79 634</b>	3.7	79 634	.4	105 196	.5	757	.7	63 172	1.4
			46 923		62 701		532		27 669	
			32 594		74 108		1 116		64 558	
			139 185		152 486		708		72 939	
			16 539		63 340		212		10 865	
	<b>133 521</b>	4.6	133 521	.4	105 134	.7	1 270	.7	101 711	1.4
			34 562		67 052		252		12 224	
			34 828		12 794		224		2 973	
			30 336		70 612		989		57 728	
			15 367		15 246		174		2 356	
	<b>171 690</b>	5.1	171 690	.1	240 463	.4	714	.5	129 701	.6

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**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Average market value of all machinery and equipment per farm <sup>1</sup>		Market value of agricultural products sold		Average market value of agricultural products sold per farm		Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup>				
	Value (dollars)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Value (dollars)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total farm production expenses				
							Farms	Value			
Skamania .....	28 117	4.1	1 532	1.2	24 316	1.3	63	2.8	1 501	1.0	
Snohomish .....	33 393	4.3	112 881	.2	99 105	.5	1 138	.6	98 794	.9	
Spokane .....	52 156	5.3	78 704	.5	47 903	.6	1 643	.5	61 721	2.1	
Stevens .....	36 838	6.9	22 815	1.2	23 069	1.3	989	.6	20 085	4.1	
Thurston .....	43 877	3.4	120 712	.1	145 086	.4	831	.6	95 086	.4	
Wahkiakum .....	30 767	10.0	2 715	2.7	25 135	2.7	108	2.0	2 770	14.2	
Walla Walla .....	107 854	4.5	256 930	.1	358 841	.3	709	1.0	202 881	1.0	
Whatcom .....	55 730	3.3	241 643	.1	196 778	.3	1 227	.4	194 258	.8	
Whitman .....	161 492	3.2	173 483	.4	172 964	.7	1 003	.7	128 546	1.5	
Yakima .....	72 664	1.6	873 495	.1	259 582	.4	3 365	.4	643 211	.3	
Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
Geographic area	Livestock and poultry purchased				Feed for livestock and poultry			Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	
Washington ..	6 743	2.2	353 157	.4	13 102	1.3	495 975	.4	9 656	1.5	
Adams .....	91	17.4	888	3.0	181	14.0	5 024	3.0	322	7.6	
Asotin .....	55	11.0	279	10.4	84	7.3	701	13.5	58	6.8	
Benton .....	297	11.1	1 212	11.6	518	6.4	3 953	8.8	274	8.2	
Chelan .....	39	32.7	228	30.9	114	20.4	310	21.6	341	8.7	
Clallam .....	72	24.3	326	42.9	187	10.4	1 263	7.7	47	30.8	
Clark .....	325	11.1	3 100	6.1	650	5.8	10 058	2.8	230	11.3	
Columbia .....	37	15.9	343	12.6	74	9.9	355	8.4	119	5.4	
Cowlitz .....	72	20.5	908	14.8	230	8.2	4 798	.8	58	21.9	
Douglas .....	92	20.0	1 224	8.5	175	15.1	2 001	11.7	305	9.1	
Ferry .....	62	10.1	357	15.0	113	5.6	1 206	4.7	48	12.5	
Franklin .....	121	14.2	10 937	1.4	222	10.6	16 177	2.8	479	5.4	
Garfield .....	51	12.2	256	5.9	90	7.3	670	5.9	118	4.9	
Grant .....	337	9.9	142 584	.5	517	6.8	52 117	.4	831	4.0	
Grays Harbor .....	104	20.0	710	30.7	209	11.4	3 280	1.9	60	26.0	
Island .....	114	13.9	373	13.4	190	6.8	2 648	4.0	79	18.2	
Jefferson .....	43	13.9	164	11.5	91	7.2	1 012	2.0	22	21.7	
King .....	310	10.1	4 222	5.7	637	5.3	23 277	1.0	221	10.8	
Kitsap .....	93	21.6	880	8.3	210	10.9	(D)	(D)	71	23.0	
Kittitas .....	177	13.0	12 587	1.8	392	7.5	7 045	3.5	181	12.1	
Klickitat .....	172	13.5	1 004	11.5	240	10.1	2 752	5.5	165	12.5	
Lewis .....	319	11.0	6 064	8.6	717	5.2	28 469	2.1	179	13.3	
Lincoln .....	153	14.5	864	17.0	275	9.2	1 709	12.7	433	4.7	
Mason .....	34	18.3	(D)	(D)	92	9.4	1 768	1.5	49	13.3	
Okanogan .....	290	10.6	2 070	11.8	502	7.0	3 769	9.4	405	8.6	
Pacific .....	35	26.8	819	2.4	99	11.0	1 991	3.0	33	25.8	
Pend Oreille .....	60	18.6	326	34.8	140	9.0	298	14.3	27	30.4	
Pierce .....	279	10.7	3 694	2.8	599	5.0	16 672	1.1	171	11.5	
San Juan .....	50	14.4	479	8.0	123	5.6	262	10.8	32	18.7	
Skagit .....	206	11.0	7 407	5.2	419	6.4	33 204	1.1	300	7.6	
Skamania .....	15	6.8	28	12.9	29	4.7	36	7.6	10	4.9	
Snohomish .....	283	11.8	5 962	3.4	712	4.6	32 886	.8	275	9.2	
Spokane .....	459	9.3	3 498	13.3	731	6.3	7 617	8.3	630	5.9	
Stevens .....	293	11.2	1 888	20.9	592	5.8	3 477	12.6	355	8.7	
Thurston .....	243	13.6	6 430	1.1	573	5.1	32 883	.5	116	19.2	
Wahkiakum .....	43	15.4	541	30.7	79	7.9	856	27.7	—	—	
Walla Walla .....	114	17.0	(D)	(D)	223	12.1	(D)	(D)	416	5.5	
Whatcom .....	453	7.4	19 167	1.4	745	5.3	73 303	1.3	375	7.0	
Whitman .....	163	14.7	1 909	4.1	354	7.6	3 283	10.7	702	3.5	
Yakima .....	587	7.2	61 157	.9	974	4.7	91 196	.3	1 119	4.4	
Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
Geographic area	Commercial fertilizer				Agricultural chemicals			Petroleum products			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	
Washington ..	14 931	1.1	231 396	.7	15 112	1.1	208 739	.6	26 560	.6	
Adams .....	471	3.7	20 248	2.4	448	4.7	15 109	2.8	535	3.8	
Asotin .....	82	5.5	1 145	9.0	81	5.6	663	6.9	119	3.8	
Benton .....	600	5.7	20 923	.8	546	6.0	22 903	.5	958	2.4	
Chelan .....	834	3.4	2 059	5.7	923	3.1	8 745	3.8	1 042	1.5	

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
	Commercial fertilizer				Agricultural chemicals				Petroleum products			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Clallam .....	95	16.7	190	7.2	58	27.3	65	10.6	250	4.7	248	11.0
Clark .....	378	9.7	471	9.8	500	7.6	720	10.1	1 075	2.1	1 254	4.7
Columbia .....	149	4.4	3 314	3.5	156	4.2	2 358	3.8	187	2.1	1 230	2.8
Cowlitz .....	69	19.6	351	2.1	133	14.2	426	2.0	319	3.6	428	4.2
Douglas .....	672	4.1	5 461	6.5	696	3.7	7 172	3.9	781	2.4	3 679	4.1
Ferry .....	56	11.8	103	4.8	64	10.5	44	20.6	177	1.9	314	5.9
Franklin .....	679	3.0	19 040	1.5	640	4.1	17 662	1.1	778	2.6	8 434	1.7
Garfield .....	145	3.6	3 307	2.9	152	3.1	2 265	2.8	180	1.5	1 538	2.9
Grant .....	1 245	2.5	43 434	1.4	1 200	2.7	34 641	.8	1 598	1.3	16 255	1.0
Grays Harbor .....	159	14.3	474	9.0	145	15.7	289	28.8	344	4.4	427	8.9
Island .....	85	16.9	177	9.9	51	20.3	86	22.7	250	2.8	354	6.3
Jefferson .....	47	13.4	54	7.5	27	16.9	13	19.0	128	3.6	137	6.1
King .....	258	10.9	587	7.0	270	10.3	323	10.8	987	2.3	2 456	7.5
Kitsap .....	85	22.3	31	12.8	91	19.9	30	15.2	312	5.2	266	10.7
Kittitas .....	429	5.8	4 454	5.3	349	7.6	1 160	5.4	672	3.3	2 001	5.5
Klickitat .....	250	8.7	1 853	5.4	160	12.5	1 578	6.3	453	4.0	1 252	4.0
Lewis .....	326	10.3	809	8.9	384	9.2	570	5.4	1 033	1.7	1 741	4.2
Lincoln .....	520	3.7	14 317	3.7	494	4.8	5 508	4.9	641	2.7	5 359	2.9
Mason .....	74	9.6	124	4.9	60	10.5	47	7.8	186	3.6	449	3.2
Okanogan .....	653	4.8	3 272	8.0	780	4.9	8 214	4.2	1 192	2.0	3 415	2.9
Pacific .....	121	9.8	198	13.0	140	7.9	342	7.3	244	2.0	428	5.9
Pend Oreille .....	97	12.0	284	26.7	82	14.4	33	21.8	221	1.1	230	8.0
Pierce .....	301	9.7	682	2.2	355	8.7	538	2.6	895	2.3	2 092	2.4
San Juan .....	37	18.2	34	28.6	26	21.1	3	24.0	153	3.0	118	17.2
Skagit .....	307	8.0	6 156	3.0	255	7.6	3 765	2.1	674	2.0	4 093	1.0
Skamania .....	29	3.3	49	1.3	19	3.1	161	.1	60	2.8	51	1.3
Snohomish .....	346	9.3	1 300	12.0	303	9.7	633	10.2	1 014	2.5	3 528	1.5
Spokane .....	738	6.0	6 814	5.1	720	6.2	4 299	6.0	1 495	2.0	3 762	4.1
Stevens .....	372	8.3	910	17.5	311	10.5	303	22.0	899	2.4	1 344	6.0
Thurston .....	215	14.4	507	6.5	215	13.8	375	9.9	741	3.3	1 758	3.4
Wahkiakum .....	7	47.1	1	59.4	26	23.0	9	26.9	96	4.3	84	10.4
Walla Walla .....	535	4.0	20 974	2.2	489	5.1	13 211	2.7	640	2.7	5 251	2.9
Whatcom .....	621	5.4	3 208	6.2	502	6.3	2 619	5.5	1 146	1.8	3 952	2.0
Whitman .....	765	2.8	24 793	2.3	806	3.2	16 863	3.0	955	1.7	8 552	2.2
Yakima .....	2 079	2.6	19 285	2.0	2 455	1.8	34 994	1.0	3 130	1.1	19 995	1.2
Geographic area	Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
	Electricity				Hired farm labor				Contract labor			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>20 850</b>	<b>.9</b>	<b>73 693</b>	<b>.6</b>	<b>13 598</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>771 003</b>	<b>.4</b>	<b>3 631</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>44 164</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Adams .....	489	5.3	5 347	3.3	348	7.5	16 543	2.9	110	18.5	1 455	2.1
Astotin .....	108	4.1	127	6.2	54	8.5	767	7.6	13	29.1	41	22.0
Benton .....	890	3.0	8 353	1.2	446	5.9	60 099	.8	214	12.2	3 691	11.3
Chelan .....	900	3.3	1 501	3.6	814	3.0	40 972	2.1	207	13.8	1 808	5.5
Clallam .....	208	6.7	121	6.4	110	16.9	1 440	26.0	26	44.0	57	24.1
Clark .....	693	5.4	700	4.6	376	9.4	6 171	3.7	115	19.2	351	10.1
Columbia .....	152	4.6	246	6.8	86	7.7	2 764	4.7	29	20.3	215	30.3
Cowlitz .....	147	12.1	207	3.7	90	16.3	2 159	1.0	49	23.3	153	15.1
Douglas .....	627	4.2	1 107	4.8	522	5.7	25 832	2.9	143	16.5	1 338	21.7
Ferry .....	124	5.4	86	9.9	49	13.0	146	9.6	14	24.9	27	14.9
Franklin .....	756	2.7	7 361	1.8	573	4.6	56 187	1.0	129	14.1	2 975	2.4
Garfield .....	141	4.3	215	3.9	104	6.0	1 613	4.4	13	18.8	45	25.0
Grant .....	1 482	2.0	11 433	1.1	1 099	3.2	101 535	.9	304	8.4	6 864	4.6
Grays Harbor .....	199	11.0	226	17.1	157	14.8	1 773	16.1	21	48.2	91	81.0
Island .....	182	8.3	177	4.7	106	12.4	1 978	4.6	41	28.5	35	40.7
Jefferson .....	78	8.4	57	8.1	48	11.9	371	9.8	17	23.3	31	31.6
King .....	689	4.8	1 539	5.0	423	7.4	18 450	4.4	144	16.8	580	9.5
Kitsap .....	199	11.7	192	8.9	103	19.0	1 435	10.5	33	39.4	(D)	(D)
Kittitas .....	454	6.5	726	4.7	272	8.0	13 047	3.3	64	25.2	411	34.4
Klickitat .....	355	6.6	660	5.1	137	11.2	6 667	2.2	99	19.7	197	20.0
Lewis .....	670	5.2	791	3.5	417	7.8	7 356	3.8	110	17.1	378	8.7
Lincoln .....	600	3.6	2 409	7.3	403	5.4	8 064	5.9	57	18.6	301	19.2
Mason .....	125	7.2	163	3.0	63	10.6	2 389	2.4	17	26.6	(D)	(D)
Okanogan .....	865	4.3	2 191	2.8	714	4.9	40 164	1.4	167	15.6	1 253	12.3
Pacific .....	183	6.9	326	4.1	143	7.5	2 615	9.0	18	23.8	204	33.9
Pend Oreille .....	153	8.0	51	9.9	48	21.2	129	44.1	18	37.9	35	54.3
Pierce .....	652	5.3	1 170	1.7	365	8.6	12 493	.9	112	17.8	772	5.9
San Juan .....	109	7.1	46	15.7	53	13.1	179	11.9	31	21.8	41	31.8
Skagit .....	454	5.8	1 566	1.5	312	7.0	27 309	.9	96	16.2	752	2.0
Skamania .....	28	4.0	21	2.1	23	3.6	406	.6	6	9.7	19	2.3
Snohomish .....	720	5.1	1 556	2.2	394	8.7	22 632	.7	136	17.9	284	9.0
Spokane .....	1 179	3.6	1 159	5.3	533	7.2	6 268	5.2	123	19.3	254	16.3
Stevens .....	584	5.9	460	9.3	234	12.3	1 485	11.9	60	24.8	170	25.7
Thurston .....	577	5.9	1 510	2.1	271	11.9	20 395	.6	118	20.5	551	4.5

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**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
	Electricity				Hired farm labor				Contract labor			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Wahkiakum .....	57	11.8	68	27.7	32	18.8	111	14.7	9	43.5	13	49.8
Walla Walla .....	601	3.0	5 235	.9	381	5.0	24 745	4.2	75	24.7	(D)	(D)
Whatcom .....	911	3.9	2 851	2.0	659	4.7	26 844	1.8	137	14.0	910	5.2
Whitman .....	776	3.9	1 375	8.4	610	4.7	12 525	5.4	93	13.7	478	7.9
Yakima .....	2 733	1.8	10 360	1.0	2 026	2.3	194 947	.6	463	8.7	7 698	6.6
Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.												
Geographic area	Repair and maintenance				Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment				Interest			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
	Washington ..	.7	229 971	.7	8 798	1.7	85 730	1.0	11 538	1.4	214 518	.7
Adams .....	528	3.8	11 767	3.6	313	7.3	6 022	7.9	346	7.1	8 614	2.2
Asotin .....	104	4.7	877	5.8	38	12.6	165	26.7	69	7.6	859	9.2
Benton .....	894	3.0	17 337	.6	327	8.7	9 401	1.4	426	7.6	14 022	1.3
Chelan .....	1 013	2.0	4 519	3.6	323	9.2	735	15.6	564	5.4	8 414	3.7
Clallam .....	211	7.2	727	18.2	50	28.3	61	18.3	53	27.9	327	26.9
Clark .....	856	4.5	2 376	7.7	225	13.6	380	8.6	320	10.3	2 312	9.9
Columbia .....	161	4.3	2 290	3.9	94	8.2	868	4.7	81	8.5	823	5.5
Cowlitz .....	268	5.8	760	5.0	56	22.1	182	10.9	99	15.5	830	11.6
Douglas .....	731	3.3	5 860	5.4	226	9.2	1 170	4.9	415	5.9	6 961	4.8
Ferry .....	146	3.6	480	17.2	16	22.1	53	25.2	54	10.9	187	14.8
Franklin .....	706	3.6	13 814	1.9	463	5.1	8 971	3.4	562	4.9	17 306	1.8
Garfield .....	142	4.3	2 245	3.9	89	7.6	725	11.8	106	5.8	2 088	5.0
Grant .....	1 507	1.6	26 740	1.6	816	4.0	13 678	2.1	1 032	3.5	32 641	1.7
Grays Harbor .....	300	6.7	996	8.0	74	23.4	189	10.6	133	17.2	1 031	12.4
Island .....	221	5.6	699	8.1	63	20.9	110	15.4	72	18.0	357	14.0
Jefferson .....	113	5.0	280	8.0	34	14.2	91	5.1	43	12.4	158	13.9
King .....	797	3.9	5 583	11.3	209	13.2	700	10.7	260	10.6	3 411	5.5
Kitsap .....	292	5.8	571	12.3	73	25.1	564	5.6	78	24.7	245	25.3
Kittitas .....	562	4.8	3 880	4.5	368	7.3	1 194	8.4	304	9.0	3 331	5.5
Klickitat .....	424	5.1	2 040	5.7	133	15.6	593	8.5	180	12.3	1 837	6.3
Lewis .....	865	3.7	3 483	12.7	248	12.0	1 237	2.0	323	9.8	3 010	5.8
Lincoln .....	605	3.3	8 438	3.7	243	10.3	2 249	6.7	353	7.2	3 712	5.7
Mason .....	152	4.9	1 219	1.3	27	19.2	145	2.4	53	13.3	328	9.4
Okanogan .....	1 055	3.1	6 442	3.5	356	9.3	1 217	10.3	558	6.1	7 416	4.0
Pacific .....	211	4.9	1 121	9.6	69	16.2	191	12.0	124	8.8	1 197	9.4
Pend Oreille .....	176	6.3	401	15.4	24	34.3	33	41.1	61	17.4	332	32.4
Pierce .....	774	3.8	4 630	2.9	178	13.9	603	2.7	223	11.4	2 249	5.9
San Juan .....	142	4.2	262	11.9	43	17.0	49	20.7	20	23.6	123	28.8
Skagit .....	567	4.3	7 165	2.2	193	10.2	2 676	3.6	259	8.1	6 387	1.8
Skamania .....	45	3.5	92	3.4	4	—	19	—	17	5.7	148	2.4
Snohomish .....	875	3.8	5 496	2.9	212	14.0	877	10.1	265	9.7	3 616	3.1
Spokane .....	1 285	3.1	6 392	4.7	423	9.0	1 355	8.3	567	7.4	4 965	6.9
Stevens .....	790	3.4	2 201	7.7	117	18.4	291	16.3	308	10.1	1 731	12.9
Thurston .....	633	4.7	9 847	1.1	189	15.8	789	2.7	219	13.5	4 808	2.9
Wahkiakum .....	82	7.3	197	15.2	12	29.6	11	22.8	34	16.1	214	21.3
Walla Walla .....	587	3.6	12 551	3.0	290	9.1	4 997	5.2	337	8.2	10 670	4.8
Whatcom .....	969	3.1	9 116	1.8	471	7.0	8 544	1.9	521	5.5	12 336	4.0
Whitman .....	866	3.1	14 410	3.2	401	6.9	3 884	5.2	545	5.6	8 736	5.5
Yakima .....	2 846	1.6	32 666	1.2	1 308	4.2	10 710	3.3	1 554	3.5	36 787	1.3
Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.												
Geographic area	Cash rent				Property taxes paid				All other farm production expenses			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
	Washington ..	2.1	124 823	1.2	27 085	.5	96 621	.8	26 118	.6	442 190	.4
Adams .....	210	10.2	12 718	4.0	522	4.2	3 504	6.3	584	2.6	18 230	2.4
Asotin .....	40	11.3	406	6.9	132	2.6	307	7.3	133	2.8	1 298	4.3
Benton .....	154	13.1	10 742	.9	1 021	1.6	5 263	3.4	1 015	1.8	28 251	.7
Chelan .....	135	14.8	1 845	20.9	1 060	1.5	4 349	3.8	1 049	1.8	17 586	3.4
Clallam .....	62	19.2	263	22.6	289	1.0	336	11.0	242	5.6	842	30.1
Clark .....	139	16.9	675	6.3	1 096	1.9	2 045	4.8	985	2.9	4 641	2.4
Columbia .....	54	12.5	526	21.0	183	2.5	790	4.7	182	2.4	2 215	2.7
Cowlitz .....	40	23.1	383	7.9	321	3.4	718	7.8	283	5.7	991	4.1
Douglas .....	140	14.9	1 538	13.5	810	1.9	3 406	4.2	810	1.7	15 027	3.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> —Con.											
	Cash rent				Property taxes paid				All other farm production expenses			
	Farms		Value		Farms		Value		Farms		Value	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Ferry .....	32	16.4	79	10.0	172	2.3	294	7.9	163	3.1	420	5.8
Franklin .....	308	7.8	13 697	3.7	739	2.7	5 106	2.3	839	1.2	28 584	1.1
Garfield .....	43	11.2	820	2.4	169	2.4	750	4.0	164	2.5	2 580	5.4
Grant .....	569	5.0	27 655	2.5	1 567	1.5	10 327	1.4	1 627	1.3	62 615	1.0
Grays Harbor .....	52	24.9	325	1.9	361	3.6	695	5.8	351	4.7	1 216	3.6
Island .....	64	15.1	260	4.6	251	2.2	501	10.2	232	4.8	1 317	3.8
Jefferson .....	7	28.6	37	19.6	142	2.3	225	7.0	121	4.3	373	9.4
King .....	143	15.6	1 211	3.3	967	2.5	3 252	5.1	928	2.8	10 586	4.2
Kitsap .....	23	53.8	53	43.2	336	3.6	915	10.9	249	8.0	1 379	5.4
Kittitas .....	177	12.1	2 396	11.1	735	1.3	1 861	4.1	659	2.8	8 519	2.7
Klickitat .....	135	13.1	867	10.9	508	2.0	1 172	15.6	490	3.0	4 528	2.1
Lewis .....	221	10.7	1 414	12.3	1 066	1.6	2 061	4.0	1 021	2.1	6 650	2.9
Lincoln .....	208	10.3	4 003	9.6	608	3.2	1 932	6.3	683	2.0	10 134	3.6
Mason .....	31	17.9	114	18.7	199	2.6	284	6.0	177	3.4	1 117	5.9
Okanogan .....	231	13.3	848	16.9	1 200	1.8	4 632	5.8	1 198	2.0	15 507	3.2
Pacific .....	29	22.2	276	19.1	242	2.2	620	7.0	211	4.3	1 789	6.4
Pend Oreille .....	11	34.0	60	7.5	224	1.1	343	8.5	199	4.3	403	9.3
Pierce .....	96	16.6	525	3.5	956	1.4	2 667	5.1	815	3.5	7 480	3.0
San Juan .....	34	16.6	123	12.9	162	2.9	228	6.0	152	3.9	395	8.7
Skagit .....	207	9.1	4 645	1.8	683	1.6	2 487	2.7	582	3.7	16 129	1.2
Skamania .....	7	8.3	3	7.2	63	2.8	112	2.5	55	2.9	342	.6
Snohomish .....	141	14.9	1 862	5.9	1 062	2.0	3 087	4.6	937	3.1	12 425	1.7
Spokane .....	309	10.3	2 088	9.8	1 578	1.4	3 055	4.5	1 380	2.5	7 600	4.7
Stevens .....	153	15.6	805	20.1	938	1.9	1 275	5.0	877	2.7	3 091	10.4
Thurston .....	95	24.6	435	26.0	782	2.5	2 762	7.2	735	3.1	11 749	.7
Wahkiakum .....	29	21.5	80	14.3	99	4.7	191	11.8	97	4.9	393	22.6
Walla Walla .....	134	14.1	4 197	5.2	623	3.5	3 361	5.6	658	2.5	16 497	3.5
Whatcom .....	374	7.1	3 997	4.3	1 165	1.5	3 738	4.7	1 103	2.2	21 842	2.4
Whitman .....	341	7.8	8 358	6.9	887	2.4	3 410	3.9	955	1.6	12 161	3.0
Yakima .....	710	5.5	14 496	2.4	3 167	.9	14 556	1.4	3 177	1.0	85 289	.6
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup>												
Geographic area	Total cropland											
	Farms				Acres				Farms		Acres	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Total (\$1,000)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
	Washington ..	.4	1 132 634	.6	24 656	.4	7 913 709	.3	20 445	.4	4 895 633	.2
Adams .....	628	.6	60 549	4.0	570	.7	808 651	.6	484	.8	413 299	.5
Asotin .....	140	1.9	1 348	14.4	105	1.4	87 282	1.7	75	2.0	36 126	1.8
Benton .....	1 079	.5	68 499	1.7	919	.5	440 291	.5	687	.6	274 855	.2
Chelan .....	1 112	.6	47 050	3.5	1 082	.5	41 046	1.2	1 055	.5	33 167	.6
Clallam .....	292	1.0	1 082	56.6	215	.8	12 116	2.1	153	1.3	5 901	2.9
Clark .....	1 174	.5	6 478	8.2	965	.5	42 773	1.2	714	.7	25 510	1.5
Columbia .....	198	1.2	3 712	8.0	173	.8	177 982	1.1	151	1.1	109 607	.7
Cowlitz .....	348	.8	2 209	17.3	266	.8	15 159	1.5	173	1.4	7 882	1.7
Douglas .....	854	.5	33 121	4.3	806	.4	532 757	.7	737	.5	225 102	.6
Ferry .....	179	1.8	633	31.5	156	1.2	22 447	2.7	120	1.8	12 994	3.2
Franklin .....	849	.7	95 440	14	777	.5	(D)	(D)	701	.6	291 241	.4
Garfield .....	182	1.4	4 203	9.1	160	.8	192 220	.8	144	1.1	114 645	.8
Grant .....	1 700	.5	200 276	.9	1 549	.5	786 332	.6	1 405	.5	566 807	.3
Grays Harbor .....	388	.9	2 427	36.2	317	.8	24 126	1.3	247	1.1	14 716	1.4
Island .....	261	1.1	1 218	13.8	216	.8	10 977	1.7	179	1.1	8 046	1.7
Jefferson .....	144	2.0	1 327	6.9	110	1.3	8 076	4.3	86	1.9	2 542	2.9
King .....	1 091	.7	14 625	9.0	742	.8	24 243	1.2	502	1.0	10 591	1.2
Kitsap .....	359	.8	937	77.0	247	1.0	5 594	2.0	176	1.4	3 724	2.1
Kittitas .....	757	.7	17 600	5.6	628	.6	87 299	1.2	489	.8	58 409	.8
Klickitat .....	532	.7	4 072	8.6	454	.6	186 136	1.0	365	.8	89 643	.9
Lewis .....	1 116	.6	18 564	5.2	935	.5	61 720	.9	727	.7	36 370	1.1
Lincoln .....	708	.6	33 761	4.8	652	.6	876 196	.5	574	.6	489 505	.5
Mason .....	212	1.6	1 922	8.2	157	1.3	6 697	4.0	123	1.8	4 710	5.2
Okanogan .....	1 270	.7	31 732	4.5	1 098	.7	142 145	1.4	985	.8	73 261	1.1
Pacific .....	252	1.1	4 985	7.1	220	.7	14 667	2.8	191	.9	6 932	2.3
Pend Oreille .....	224	1.1	—352	90.9	188	1.0	26 763	2.2	159	1.3	14 516	2.2
Pierce .....	989	.6	9 504	5.6	680	.7	23 811	.9	440	1.0	12 592	1.0
San Juan .....	174	1.2	131	74.1	156	.9	11 547	5.4	125	1.4	4 122	5.6
Skagit .....	714	.5	40 882	1.3	613	.5	73 028	.5	511	.7	61 257	.5
Skamania .....	63	2.8	31	36.2	45	2.1	1 911	3.5	40	2.4	1 206	3.0
Snohomish .....	1 138	.6	15 057	7.2	829	.6	39 931	.9	572	.9	24 807	1.0
Spokane .....	1 643	.5	15 669	8.9	1 402	.5	398 064	.7	1 133	.6	280 969	.6
Stevens .....	989	.6	1 639	46.3	834	.6	123 434	1.4	685	.8	66 790	1.6
Thurston .....	831	.6	22 532	3.1	598	.7	27 049	1.6	420	1.0	14 831	2.0
Wahkiakum .....	108	2.0	458	41.3	97	.7	8 897	3.0	73	1.3	3 837	3.3
Walla Walla .....	716	.6	54 318	4.2	635	.4	597 738	.5	541	.6	342 371	.4
Whatcom .....	1 227	.4	46 573	2.7	1 068	.4	80 854	.5	905	.5	60 715	.5
Whitman .....	1 003	.7	40 176	5.0	925	.6	1 066 676	.5	852	.7	801 501	.4
Yakima .....	3 365	.4	228 244	1.1	3 067	.4	(D)	(D)	2 746	.4	290 534	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Irrigated land				Livestock and poultry							
	Farms		Acres		Cattle and calves inventory				Beef cows inventory			
					Farms		Total		Farms		Total	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>13 131</b>	.4	<b>1 705 025</b>	.2	<b>11 721</b>	.4	<b>1 204 265</b>	.2	<b>8 627</b>	.5	<b>304 473</b>	.5
Adams .....	294	1.2	148 018	.5	161	1.9	29 276	.9	132	2.1	11 603	1.4
Asotin .....	22	5.5	329	7.0	83	1.9	11 416	1.7	72	2.2	(D)	(D)
Benton .....	901	.5	153 254	.2	431	.9	14 762	1.2	301	1.2	7 066	1.6
Chelan .....	1 058	.5	30 562	.5	54	3.6	1 818	5.6	38	4.4	1 126	7.2
Clallam .....	90	1.9	3 770	2.7	164	1.2	5 758	2.2	135	1.4	2 212	3.0
Clark .....	173	1.7	3 839	2.2	627	.7	23 022	1.1	480	.9	5 332	1.7
Columbia .....	54	3.0	3 565	2.8	80	2.2	7 414	2.1	70	2.4	(D)	(D)
Cowlitz .....	36	3.2	3 231	.9	212	1.1	6 780	1.4	185	1.2	2 704	2.3
Douglas .....	553	.6	21 199	.5	103	1.8	13 849	.8	87	1.9	7 618	1.1
Ferry .....	43	4.3	4 667	5.4	112	2.0	10 992	2.8	96	2.4	7 074	3.1
Franklin .....	725	.6	221 145	.3	209	1.6	41 405	.6	147	2.0	10 636	1.5
Garfield .....	23	5.1	693	3.7	86	1.9	11 371	1.2	83	2.0	(D)	(D)
Grant .....	1 409	.5	446 183	.3	506	1.1	164 022	.3	370	1.3	23 107	1.4
Grays Harbor .....	81	2.3	3 067	1.3	235	1.2	13 771	1.1	184	1.5	3 316	2.7
Island .....	64	2.6	1 380	3.3	144	1.4	6 918	1.2	99	2.0	1 060	3.7
Jefferson .....	36	4.0	847	1.6	81	2.0	4 325	1.4	71	2.2	1 625	2.3
King .....	225	1.7	3 291	1.4	406	1.2	32 806	.8	252	1.7	2 370	3.0
Kitsap .....	77	2.6	366	5.3	141	1.6	1 951	7.9	109	2.0	953	9.2
Kittitas .....	621	.6	75 859	.9	375	1.0	37 002	1.3	295	1.2	15 359	1.8
Klickitat .....	176	1.5	20 239	2.1	254	1.1	26 180	1.3	206	1.3	13 399	1.4
Lewis .....	127	1.8	5 765	1.5	694	.7	34 264	.7	533	.8	7 916	1.5
Lincoln .....	120	1.6	47 984	1.3	252	1.2	32 302	.9	232	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mason .....	44	4.0	382	4.3	76	2.8	2 218	4.4	59	3.3	1 034	4.3
Okanogan .....	932	.8	47 679	1.1	460	1.3	54 615	1.5	388	1.4	31 040	1.5
Pacific .....	103	1.5	3 367	4.6	118	1.6	7 281	1.8	94	1.9	2 384	3.6
Pend Oreille .....	29	4.5	1 583	5.2	134	1.6	6 635	2.5	116	1.8	3 611	2.7
Pierce .....	214	1.5	5 149	1.0	480	.9	22 119	.7	382	1.1	4 533	2.0
San Juan .....	48	3.6	904	21.7	75	2.5	3 420	6.1	55	3.2	1 749	7.4
Skagit .....	165	1.6	9 821	.9	395	.8	39 800	.6	235	1.3	3 838	2.2
Skamania .....	9	6.9	272	1.0	29	3.2	711	5.4	23	3.5	392	5.9
Snohomish .....	169	1.7	4 182	1.3	543	.9	43 359	.5	352	1.3	4 508	2.2
Spokane .....	266	1.5	10 711	1.1	596	.9	28 596	1.8	447	1.1	12 083	1.9
Stevens .....	184	1.9	9 997	2.7	601	.9	33 962	1.4	500	1.0	15 853	1.8
Thurston .....	163	1.8	5 564	1.2	438	.9	29 570	.6	329	1.2	6 485	1.4
Wahkiakum .....	4	14.9	175	13.1	95	.8	5 375	2.5	78	1.3	2 088	3.9
Walla Walla .....	378	.8	97 136	.4	217	1.3	58 105	.4	165	1.6	(D)	(D)
Whatcom .....	415	.8	25 792	.5	800	.5	120 652	.3	334	1.1	4 748	1.6
Whitman .....	57	3.0	5 469	4.5	299	1.3	25 379	1.7	256	1.5	12 921	1.9
Yakima .....	3 043	.4	277 589	.3	955	.7	191 064	.3	637	1.0	31 755	.8
Livestock and poultry—Con.												
Geographic area	Milk cows inventory				Hogs and pigs inventory				Sheep and lambs inventory			
	Farms		Total		Farms		Total		Farms		Total	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>1 302</b>	.6	<b>247 191</b>	.1	<b>978</b>	.9	<b>38 030</b>	1.5	<b>1 189</b>	.9	<b>52 298</b>	1.3
Adams .....	13	6.0	3 211	.2	12	8.7	4 147	2.1	23	5.1	1 027	12.5
Asotin .....	3	9.2	(D)	(D)	4	15.2	55	18.5	6	10.9	214	25.1
Benton .....	21	4.9	2 335	.7	43	3.7	242	6.0	40	3.9	1 208	5.8
Chelan .....	4	13.5	9	12.1	7	10.3	(D)	(D)	8	9.0	108	11.6
Clallam .....	11	5.0	750	1.8	16	5.6	54	10.8	21	4.8	583	8.8
Clark .....	47	2.7	5 447	.6	45	3.5	368	8.4	38	4.3	1 090	7.8
Columbia .....	2	22.5	(D)	(D)	6	10.4	678	6.8	12	6.7	476	12.6
Cowlitz .....	7	6.5	751	.1	22	4.5	146	6.7	15	6.4	557	6.8
Douglas .....	3	13.7	6	20.6	13	5.4	339	1.2	13	6.8	189	10.1
Ferry .....	7	11.6	21	22.9	3	19.1	10	20.7	15	7.3	301	7.9
Franklin .....	14	4.8	4 342	.3	9	10.1	98	13.7	21	5.9	1 759	5.5
Garfield .....	2	20.7	(D)	(D)	4	11.9	(D)	(D)	8	10.3	84	12.1
Grant .....	49	2.9	12 128	.5	57	3.5	9 223	2.5	48	4.1	5 154	2.1
Grays Harbor .....	24	2.7	3 889	.6	12	7.7	186	18.9	13	7.7	387	14.1
Island .....	10	5.8	2 409	.5	8	9.1	50	13.0	14	7.3	158	9.9
Jefferson .....	8	8.2	730	2.8	6	9.0	101	2.4	8	9.8	80	12.6
King .....	74	1.8	16 897	.2	47	4.4	595	9.8	67	3.5	1 211	5.2
Kitsap .....	8	8.0	15	7.9	21	5.2	84	6.9	25	5.1	421	10.3
Kittitas .....	15	6.1	552	2.6	25	5.0	424	3.8	49	3.5	2 360	4.0
Klickitat .....	18	4.7	1 483	.5	21	5.1	462	4.9	45	3.4	2 760	8.4
Lewis .....	75	2.3	8 360	.6	57	3.4	518	5.0	60	3.1	1 106	4.4
Lincoln .....	2	26.2	(D)	(D)	15	6.3	947	6.6	23	4.5	1 072	5.2
Mason .....	6	12.0	27	14.5	19	6.4	134	10.6	10	8.9	113	12.0
Okanogan .....	35	5.3	87	8.7	46	4.5	318	7.5	55	4.0	4 216	7.2
Pacific .....	14	4.3	2 057	1.3	2	17.6	(D)	(D)	5	12.5	78	15.2
Pend Oreille .....	8	9.9	8	9.9	7	10.2	134	16.0	8	8.9	159	15.6
Pierce .....	44	2.8	6 810	.3	53	3.4	1 298	9.9	55	3.5	1 216	6.5
San Juan .....	10	9.0	21	11.7	7	10.9	67	20.2	44	3.7	2 113	12.9
Skagit .....	93	1.3	20 612	.2	21	4.7	478	15.5	29	4.7	356	6.5

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table F. Reliability Estimates for the State and County Totals: 1997—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	Livestock and poultry—Con.											
	Milk cows inventory				Hogs and pigs inventory				Sheep and lambs inventory			
	Farms		Total		Farms		Total		Farms		Total	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Skamania .....	—	—	21 295	.3	2	24.6	(D)	(D)	6	11.4	(D)	(D)
Snohomish .....	106	1.5	2 570	1.8	64	3.4	559	5.4	61	3.5	1 172	6.1
Spokane .....	35	3.5	1 606	4.1	53	3.6	1 294	11.2	59	3.2	2 259	5.4
Stevens .....	50	4.1	11 410	.4	41	4.3	1 230	15.8	48	4.1	1 440	6.6
Thurston .....	43	3.0			43	3.9	588	3.0	44	3.8	1 288	2.3
Wahkiakum .....	9	5.4	569	5.4	2	17.5	(D)	(D)	4	8.0	(D)	(D)
Walla Walla .....	8	7.5	(D)	(D)	14	6.8	507	22.2	31	4.2	1 583	12.0
Whatcom .....	307	.7	64 162	.2	36	3.8	350	14.0	40	3.8	406	5.4
Whitman .....	6	7.8	437	.4	39	4.1	9 446	1.7	48	4.0	2 329	8.5
Yakima .....	111	1.6	51 050	.1	76	3.0	1 341	6.3	70	3.0	10 449	.9
Livestock and poultry—Con.												
Geographic area	Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory						Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold					
	Farms		Total		Farms		Farms		Total			
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	
	Washington ..	.8	4 787 360	.1	162	1.8	30 183 641	.1				
Adams .....	15	6.6	506	1.4	4	12.6	(D)	(D)				
Asotin .....	8	10.2	178	15.6	1	35.7	(D)	(D)				
Benton .....	51	3.4	574	3.9	4	14.1	303	25.5				
Chelan .....	14	7.9	203	7.9	2	18.8	(D)	(D)				
Clallam .....	31	3.7	607	4.3	2	12.9						
Clark .....	89	2.5	1 600	3.3	17	3.6	3 113 488	(D)				
Columbia .....	6	10.0	443	15.3	2	20.9	(D)	(D)				
Cowlitz .....	27	4.6	551	4.7	7	3.0	2 964 369	(L)				
Douglas .....	8	7.8	182	10.0	—	—	—	—				
Ferry .....	26	5.7	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—				
Franklin .....	19	5.3	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—				
Garfield .....	5	9.7	32	5.2	—	—	—	—				
Grant .....	47	4.1	(D)	(D)	1	34.6	(D)	(D)				
Grays Harbor .....	30	4.9	610	8.8	3	18.5	459	23.7				
Island .....	32	4.4	347	5.3	1	29.1	(D)	(D)				
Jefferson .....	14	6.7	278	9.5	1	22.9						
King .....	112	2.7	2 831	6.1	14	7.9	7 406	30.5				
Kitsap .....	57	3.1	1 083	4.7	—	—	—	—				
Kittitas .....	27	4.8	354	6.2	—	—	—	—				
Klickitat .....	30	4.5	602	5.8	3	16.9	72	23.3				
Lewis .....	78	2.8	(D)	(D)	21	1.7	11 358 040	(L)				
Lincoln .....	22	4.8	387	4.3	3	11.8	129	12.2				
Mason .....	19	6.8	400	10.2	2	20.0	(D)	(D)				
Okanogan .....	54	4.1	837	4.9	1	39.5	(D)	(D)				
Pacific .....	7	10.1	85	15.5	—	—	—	—				
Pend Oreille .....	16	6.9	326	5.5	—	—	—	—				
Pierce .....	72	3.1	(D)	(D)	7	6.7	2 829 859	(L)				
San Juan .....	35	4.3	1 093	8.1	2	20.8	(D)	(D)				
Skagit .....	33	4.0	453 744	(L)	3	16.6	(D)	(D)				
Skamania .....	6	9.4	72	15.3	—	—	—	—				
Snohomish .....	96	2.6	767 364	(L)	13	6.7	1 821 890	(L)				
Spokane .....	74	3.0	(D)	(D)	9	8.7	(D)	(D)				
Stevens .....	79	3.1	1 116	3.6	3	16.6	(D)	(D)				
Thurston .....	82	2.6	1 753 935	(L)	18	5.6	1 006 973	(L)				
Wahkiakum .....	6	10.3	87	8.4	2	23.1	(D)	(D)				
Walla Walla .....	20	4.9	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—				
Whatcom .....	56	3.2	(D)	(D)	9	2.8	3 127 984	(L)				
Whitman .....	29	5.3	446	6.5	3	15.6	(D)	(D)				
Yakima .....	72	3.1	(D)	(D)	4	7.4	(D)	(D)				
Selected crops harvested												
Geographic area	Corn for grain or seed						Wheat for grain					
	Farms		Acres		Quantity		Farms		Acres		Quantity	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
	Washington ..	.8	84 300	.4	16 163 861	.4	4 097	.5	2 422 506	.3	151 124 143	.3
Adams .....	49	2.3	5 388	1.3	900 277	1.3	334	1.0	303 813	.6	18 817 125	.6
Asotin .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	3.1	21 110	2.5	1 087 067	2.6
Benton .....	11	2.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	81	1.0	130 981	.3	5 243 820	.5
Chelan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	8.5	1 864	5.7	55 461	8.6

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Geographic area	Selected crops harvested											
	Corn for grain or seed						Wheat for grain					
	Farms		Acres		Quantity		Farms		Acres		Quantity	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Clallam .....	1	23.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clark .....	1	25.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Columbia .....	4	—	51	—	3 840	—	118	1.4	77 511	.8	4 952 753	.8
Cowlitz .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	293	—	16 810	—
Douglas .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	190	1.1	200 291	.6	9 122 962	.6
Ferry .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	10.1	736	10.8	23 488	12.1
Franklin .....	99	1.8	11 337	1.0	2 045 648	1.1	266	1.0	109 627	.9	7 398 292	.8
Garfield .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	122	1.3	71 689	.9	4 470 655	.9
Grant .....	188	1.1	29 953	.9	5 221 535	.9	494	.8	203 498	.7	16 127 060	.6
Grays Harbor .....	1	29.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Island .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Jefferson .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
King .....	5	11.0	30	4.5	2 698	3.6	2	18.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kitsap .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	28.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kittitas .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	58	2.5	5 224	1.9	396 134	1.2
Klickitat .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	117	1.7	40 401	1.1	1 306 608	1.1
Lewis .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	5.6	1 104	8.7	62 398	7.3
Lincoln .....	3	15.7	564	9.3	68 477	8.5	471	.8	355 317	.5	23 096 865	.5
Mason .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Okanogan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	4.8	8 410	2.4	367 391	2.4
Pacific .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pend Oreille .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	23.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pierce .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
San Juan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	27.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Skagit .....	2	12.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	49	2.2	3 477	1.3	293 433	1.3
Skamania .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Snohomish .....	2	15.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9	7.6	428	11.2	28 137	10.4
Spokane .....	3	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	337	1.1	115 324	.8	6 567 056	.8
Stevens .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	90	2.9	9 530	4.1	505 119	4.2
Thurston .....	1	28.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1	26.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wahkiakum .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Walla Walla .....	14	3.5	6 539	1.0	1 433 777	.9	341	.8	232 419	.5	15 934 694	.5
Whatcom .....	3	11.6	(D)	(D)	4 334	3.7	8	3.2	626	.9	50 914	.3
Whitman .....	4	10.1	101	.8	7 279	.4	757	.7	478 098	.5	32 213 116	.4
Yakima .....	118	1.5	12 680	.8	2 192 895	.7	145	1.4	50 430	.7	2 968 795	.7
Geographic area	Selected crops harvested—Con.											
	Barley for grain						Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes					
	Farms		Acres		Quantity		Farms		Acres		Quantity	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Hundredweight	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
<b>Washington ..</b>	<b>1 787</b>	<b>.6</b>	<b>436 299</b>	<b>.4</b>	<b>30 939 269</b>	<b>.4</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>.6</b>	<b>155 074</b>	<b>.1</b>	<b>87 208 607</b>	<b>.1</b>
Adams .....	55	2.4	10 022	1.4	628 929	1.3	43	.9	27 914	(L)	16 832 527	(L)
Astotin .....	36	3.2	10 205	2.7	574 225	2.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Benton .....	4	6.7	435	2.5	(D)	(D)	16	—	25 317	—	15 378 759	—
Chelan .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clallam .....	4	5.0	453	.1	44 002	.1	1	19.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Clark .....	4	8.4	830	3.2	69 144	3.1	2	10.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Columbia .....	71	2.0	17 547	1.4	1 357 552	1.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cowlitz .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	13.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Douglas .....	25	3.6	2 751	3.4	148 695	2.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ferry .....	2	17.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Franklin .....	5	10.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	85	1.3	35 770	.2	19 985 308	.3
Garfield .....	105	1.4	36 082	1.0	2 622 984	1.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grant .....	55	2.6	6 548	1.5	528 153	1.3	156	.6	44 263	.1	24 548 920	.1
Grays Harbor .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Island .....	8	6.6	487	5.2	35 994	6.1	1	26.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Jefferson .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	31.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
King .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	12.2	2	20.7	548	18.4
Kitsap .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	14.1	2	22.3	535	20.5
Kittitas .....	7	7.7	135	8.9	12 687	10.2	5	4.9	442	1.9	153 560	1.9
Klickitat .....	38	3.0	7 464	3.0	351 563	2.3	3	17.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Lewis .....	24	5.4	873	7.8	49 923	8.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lincoln .....	283	1.0	102 415	.7	7 312 012	.7	7	—	771	—	428 495	—
Mason .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Okanogan .....	13	6.9	614	8.7	25 731	9.1	2	23.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pacific .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pend Oreille .....	4	15.2	105	16.0	11 200	21.8	1	25.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pierce .....	1	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	4	10.3	7	6.3	595	1.0
San Juan .....	2	20.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	5	11.6	1	12.7	185	14.2
Skagit .....	20	3.7	821	2.7	72 018	2.4	16	3.8	6 948	(L)	2 341 125	(L)
Skamania .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Snohomish .....	9	7.4	199	7.9	15 644	8.3	2	22.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Spokane .....	246	1.3	43 927	1.1	2 870 171	1.2	9	7.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Stevens .....	88	2.9	7 462	4.8	493 260	5.4	5	9.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Thurston .....	1	24.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	4	12.9	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Geographic area	Selected crops harvested—Con.											
	Barley for grain						Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes					
	Farms		Acres		Quantity		Farms		Acres		Quantity	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Bushels	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Hundredweight	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Wahkiakum .....	—	—	22 584	.8	1 548 810	.8	—	—	9 256	(L)	5 943 150	(L)
Walla Walla .....	95	1.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	1 585	.7	475 550	.6
Whatcom .....	1	—	160 110	.6	11 934 457	.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whitman .....	566	.8	502	11.3	37 977	9.3	—	—	1 929	.2	741 258	.2
Yakima .....	13	5.7										
Selected crops harvested—Con.												
Geographic area	Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)						Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)					
	Farms		Acres		Quantity		Farms		Acres			
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Tons, dry	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)		
	Washington ..	.4	800 677	.4	3 013 551	.4	1 506	.6	209 456	.2		
Adams .....	148	1.9	27 252	1.3	143 370	1.2	31	2.9	3 793	.7		
Asotin .....	39	3.4	4 515	3.1	7 458	2.7	2	25.7	(D)	(D)		
Benton .....	256	1.3	18 737	1.1	96 064	.8	43	2.8	23 536	(L)		
Chelan .....	55	3.6	1 953	5.9	5 431	5.4	5	12.3	15	16.8		
Clallam .....	109	1.7	5 457	3.2	15 244	4.4	9	7.2	97	9.9		
Clark .....	484	.9	19 769	1.7	37 729	1.6	17	6.1	212	5.6		
Columbia .....	61	2.6	2 806	2.3	9 471	2.5	6	5.3	1 787	(L)		
Cowlitz .....	122	1.8	4 261	3.2	7 459	2.1	13	5.0	2 271	.9		
Douglas .....	47	2.5	3 516	2.4	10 685	2.1	3	14.5	(D)	(D)		
Ferry .....	114	1.9	12 214	3.3	27 340	4.3	—	—	30 145	.7		
Franklin .....	339	1.0	75 728	.7	507 962	.7	176	1.3	—	—		
Garfield .....	51	2.8	2 310	2.0	5 334	2.1	—	—	61 419	.4		
Grant .....	754	.8	126 450	.7	715 537	.6	232	1.0	2 450	1.3		
Grays Harbor .....	175	1.6	12 335	1.8	25 481	1.6	12	6.4	4 437	1.5		
Island .....	126	1.7	7 608	1.8	20 456	1.0	13	5.7	106	2.2		
Jefferson .....	59	2.7	2 741	2.9	6 915	2.4	8	8.2	10	8.6		
King .....	215	1.8	7 253	1.5	22 442	1.2	71	3.2	1 436	2.5		
Kitsap .....	67	2.8	1 375	5.1	1 782	5.7	18	6.1	29	7.7		
Kittitas .....	446	.8	45 655	.9	202 534	1.0	44	2.5	4 437	1.5		
Klickitat .....	256	1.1	35 540	1.5	55 567	1.4	16	4.9	(D)	(D)		
Lewis .....	562	.8	24 463	1.3	53 694	1.2	23	4.6	2 341	2.3		
Lincoln .....	235	1.2	24 902	1.6	66 439	1.6	6	9.5	(D)	(D)		
Mason .....	45	3.9	2 113	8.5	4 841	13.5	11	7.6	150	6.5		
Okanogan .....	454	1.3	34 283	2.1	84 490	2.2	17	8.1	21	11.5		
Pacific .....	89	2.1	5 619	2.9	12 005	3.9	3	11.5	5	11.0		
Pend Oreille .....	152	1.3	14 288	2.1	24 874	2.1	1	35.3	(D)	(D)		
Pierce .....	228	1.6	6 966	1.7	15 260	1.5	60	2.9	3 079	1.3		
San Juan .....	77	2.4	3 971	5.9	7 275	6.6	15	7.1	27	17.6		
Skagit .....	318	1.0	19 446	1.5	63 224	.6	103	1.8	16 740	.7		
Skamania .....	19	4.1	489	7.1	1 009	4.3	1	—	(D)	(D)		
Snohomish .....	313	1.3	15 913	1.2	44 943	.9	62	2.9	3 888	3.1		
Spokane .....	814	.7	52 901	1.3	102 604	1.5	37	4.5	449	4.6		
Stevens .....	601	.9	48 023	1.5	102 378	1.7	15	7.4	120	1.5		
Thurston .....	267	1.4	12 190	2.4	31 542	2.0	34	4.3	490	2.5		
Wahkiakum .....	72	1.4	4 051	3.3	8 277	4.4	1	28.7	(D)	(D)		
Walla Walla .....	169	1.5	16 169	1.0	86 311	.9	127	1.6	23 385	.9		
Whatcom .....	658	.6	40 910	.6	146 740	.4	25	4.5	698	5.9		
Whitman .....	254	1.4	12 637	2.1	30 536	2.2	33	3.6	5 792	2.9		
Yakima .....	858	.8	43 868	1.0	202 848	.9	213	1.3	18 479	.5		
Selected crops harvested—Con.												
Geographic area	Land in orchards											
	Farms						Acres					
	Number		Relative standard error of estimate (percent)		Number		Relative standard error of estimate (percent)					
	Washington ..	5 700		.5			301 376					.2
Adams .....	45			3.2			3 597					1.5
Asotin .....	11			9.2			74					10.7
Benton .....	379			1.0			38 705					.3
Chelan .....	992			.5			29 249					.5
Clallam .....	19			4.9			49					5.9
Clark .....	69			2.9			458					3.9
Columbia .....	3			17.8			(D)					(D)
Cowlitz .....	16			6.3			43					8.9
Douglas .....	522			.7			17 910					.5

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Geographic area	Selected crops harvested—Con.			
	Land in orchards			
	Farms		Acres	
	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)	Number	Relative standard error of estimate (percent)
Ferry .....	4	14.7	106	23.4
Franklin .....	227	1.4	14 679	1.0
Garfield .....	2	19.1	(D)	(D)
Grant .....	368	1.1	41 934	.4
Grays Harbor .....	12	8.7	36	15.5
Island .....	19	6.2	39	8.0
Jefferson .....	4	15.7	5	16.5
King .....	41	4.8	115	6.0
Kitsap .....	27	4.8	43	6.5
Kittitas .....	41	3.6	2 236	1.5
Klickitat .....	65	2.7	2 541	1.3
Lewis .....	47	3.6	154	5.0
Lincoln .....	5	7.1	85	7.5
Mason .....	10	8.9	15	13.6
Okanogan .....	568	1.1	28 623	.6
Pacific .....	7	9.5	27	13.2
Pend Oreille .....	1	29.8	(D)	(D)
Pierce .....	34	4.8	89	6.0
San Juan .....	35	4.1	89	4.8
Skagit .....	45	4.0	403	6.1
Skamania .....	20	4.4	654	1.1
Snohomish .....	36	4.7	94	6.2
Spokane .....	48	3.9	367	5.5
Stevens .....	39	4.5	231	4.9
Thurston .....	21	5.8	37	6.3
Wahkiakum .....	2	12.9	(D)	(D)
Walla Walla .....	44	3.0	8 057	.2
Whatcom .....	58	3.2	419	8.1
Whitman .....	9	8.8	25	7.8
Yakima .....	1 805	.5	109 940	.3

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

**Table G. Coverage Estimates: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Census total	Coverage total <sup>1</sup>	Adjusted census		Relative standard error (percent)	Coverage adjustment (percent)
			Total			
Farms ..... number..	29 011	11 089	40 100		4.5	27.7
Land in farms ..... acres..	15 179 710	664 756	15 844 466		.9	4.2
Average size of farm .....	523	60	395		(X)	(X)
Farms by size of farm:						
Less than 10 acres .....	5 195	3 173	8 368		13.4	37.9
10 to 49 acres .....	9 727	6 596	16 323		8.9	40.4
50 to 179 acres .....	6 250	873	7 123		5.0	12.3
180 acres or more .....	7 839	447	8 286		2.6	5.4
Farms by value of sales:						
Less than \$2,500 .....	8 698	7 363	16 061		9.5	45.8
\$2,500 to \$9,999 .....	6 253	3 093	9 346		8.7	33.1
\$10,000 or more .....	14 060	633	14 693		1.7	4.3
Market value of agricultural products sold.....\$1,000..	4 767 727	52 503	4 820 230		.5	1.1
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family .....	23 466	11 002	34 468		5.2	31.9
Partnership, corporation, or other .....	5 545	87	5 632		2.2	1.5
Farms by tenure of operator:						
Full owners .....	19 015	8 557	27 572		5.2	31.0
Part owners .....	7 186	1 488	8 674		8.9	17.2
Tenants .....	2 810	1 044	3 854		21.4	27.1
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated .....	22 618	9 034	31 652		5.2	28.5
Not on farm operated .....	4 748	1 005	5 753		8.6	17.5
Not reported .....	1 645	1 050	2 695		15.8	39.0
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming .....	15 465	1 720	17 185		3.1	10.0
Other .....	13 546	9 369	22 915		7.6	40.9
Operators by sex:						
Male .....	25 488	9 822	35 310		4.9	27.8
Female .....	3 523	1 267	4 790		12.9	26.5
Operators by race:						
White .....	28 290	10 667	38 957		4.6	27.4
Black and other races .....	721	422	1 143		38.1	36.9
Operators by years on present farm:						
4 years or less .....	3 432	1 653	5 085		14.3	32.5
5 years or more .....	21 968	6 569	28 537		4.9	23.0
Not reported .....	3 611	2 867	6 478		15.7	44.3

<sup>1</sup> See text in Appendix C regarding coverage estimates.